

Goodbye pet peeves, here are a few of my favorite things

"RAINDROPS ON ROSES and whiskers on kittens, Bright copper kettles and warm woollen mittens..." Once upon a time in a garage in Richmond, then the site of the Journal editorial offices, I was digging through the attic of my brain trying to ferret out some ideas for a column. I turned to the legendary editor, Shirleen Holt, for some hints.

"Write about your Pet Peeves," said Shirleen. Shirleen went on from the garage to fame and fortune as a reporter for The Oregonian in Portland and a writer of children's books. Shirleen and her suggestion came to mind this week while I was still sitting wracking my brain.

SOME INFLAMMATORY SUBJECT must have caught my fancy at the time because I haven't yet gotten around to tossing pet peeves out onto a suspecting reader. OK, I said this week, pet peeves is a topic whose time has come. Everybody has a few. That's the problem. Nowadays everybody doesn't have just a few peeves. Everybody appears to be One Big Peeve. Everybody it seems is mad as hell and not going to take it anymore. And I must be one of them because when I let loose the dogs of peeve, right away I had enough to fill a book.

Red light runners on Marin, the prices at the Safeway, Damon Wayans, a probable presidential candidate who says, "The potential each of us have," my cat inviting his friends in for lunch, Oscar Hammerstein — peeves galore rushed in.

These pages certainly don't need any more peeves, I decided. So, nice ladylike, here are a few of my favorite things to brighten the corner where I am.

ENGLAND IS MY FAVORITE country to visit. Often when I'm thinking about going somewhere, fellow travelers say, Go to Italy, it's your kind of country. But I usually wind up in England anyway even though it's worth your life to cross the street. English food and humor suit me. The artifacts of English literature, my favorite occupation, are to be seen everywhere in town and country.

For a long time I was deluded by old habit to think of Ohio as my favorite state and Chardon my favorite



By Phyllis Lyon

town. Now I know it's no wonder California is where everyone would live if he could. I'd keep Albany a secret all to ourselves if I could. Even my neighborhood is the least changed, most tranquil and has the best people in town.

LIONS AND TIGERS AND my cat are my favorite fauna, but if asked what animal I'd be, I'd be a bear. Bears are stress-free, nonchalant, eat honey and have no natural enemies except the one we all have, i.e., a man with a gun. A mother bear teaches her cubs everything they need to know, then sends them up a tree and leaves them there to figure out what to do next. This is a brilliant child-rearing technique.

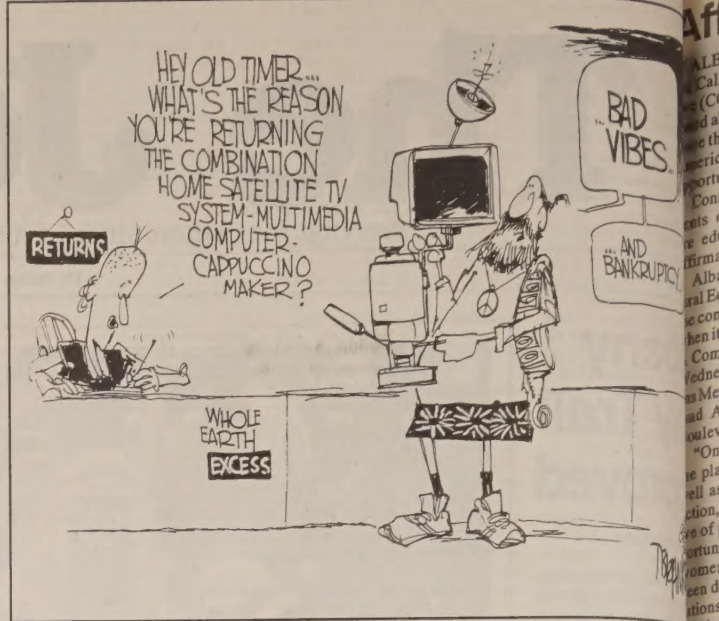
My favorite ornamental flora are lilacs and lavender. I never miss a chance to smell or pinch them, respectively, in other people's yards when they're out and I'm walking around town. I am also fond of cineraria and nasturtium not just because they're beautiful but because they kindly volunteer to grow in my yard and blot out the berry vines.

Sleeping out among the magnificent redwoods, the finest of trees, is my favorite pastime outdoors. In the privacy of my rooms, I sing "Blue Moon," "Hut Sut Rawlson on the Rillera" and other favorite songs all popular between 1930 and 1950.

ACCORDING TO OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN, when the dog bites and the bee stings a person can stop feeling so bad by remembering a few of his favorite things.

When I'm down in the dumps, I open up my Penguin Shakespeare to The Tempest and read again about Caliban, in a gaberline raincoat, for a dose of curative psychiatry. I put Mozart Symphonies 39, 40 and 41 on the CD to remind myself of the glory a human can achieve. I break out a bag of Fritos — and the world looks sunny again in no time.

It sure works better than mulling over a few longsticking peeves.



Police Reports

Suspect arrested after attacking 87-year-old

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — On the afternoon of May 9 an 87-year-old Albany woman was pushed to the ground as she walked near Marin and Peralta avenues after getting off a bus. She was reportedly pushed again while on the ground and the attacker ripped her purse from her shoulder before fleeing. A witness followed the attacker and pointed out his hiding place to police. After a foot chase Albany officers captured and arrested the 20-year-old Richmond man. The purse was recovered and the victims injuries attended to.

On the night of May 4 thieves broke into a 1983 Camaro and attempted to steal the car but were unable to start it due to a kill switch. They then stole the CD face plate and departed unseen.

On the morning of May 5 Albany officers responded to reports of persons attempting to break into a car parked in a lot on the 500 block of San Pablo Avenue. Officers found a 16-year-old El Cerrito boy breaking into a car and a 16-year-old Fairfield boy acting as lookout. They were both arrested, booked and transported to Juvenile Hall.

On the afternoon of May 5 a 17-year-old Albany boy was observed driving recklessly on the 1100 block of Curtis Street by a resident there who yelled at the youth to slow down. The boy got out of the car and confronted the resident threatening to kill him and his family. He then spit on the resident's shirt and fled the area in his car. He was recognized by another resident of the street who witnessed the incident. Police are investigating.

On the afternoon of May 5 a 13-year-old Albany boy was approached and surrounded by seven to 10 youth on bicycles while he was riding his bike. One of the youth forced him to get off his bike while another of the group took it. The group started to flee, leaving behind the bike the thief

was originally riding. An Albany man witnessed the event, confronted the thief and recovered the bike. The group fled the area.

During the early morning hours of May 6 a thief entered a house through a window while the residents were there. The thief stole cash and a stereo before fleeing through a window.

On the night of May 5 vandals broke into a 1995 GEO Prism parked on the 900 block of Orway Street by breaking the rear wing window. They aborted their efforts and fled without taking anything.

On the afternoon of May 6 a resident on the 400 block of Stannage Avenue notified Albany officers that she learned that another resident in her apartment building had knowledge regarding the responsible party in an incident of vandalism to her car the week prior. The other resident had seen a neighbor boy in the garage area near the woman's car the day the vandalism occurred. He had heard the boy bragging to friends about the damage he had done. Another resident of the apartment building had also observed the boy in the garage near the woman's car. Police are investigating.

During the early morning hours of May 6 vandals broke into the Captain Video store on San Pablo Avenue but did not go inside or take anything.

At about 7:30 a.m. on May 7 Albany officers stopped an Oakland man for a traffic violation and found that the car he was driving had been reported as stolen from San Francisco on March 20. He was arrested without incident and San Francisco. Police were notified.

On the afternoon of May 7 a 17-year-old Albany High student was struck from behind while in the main hallway of the high school, near his locker. He was thrown to the ground and the attacker fled. The attacker was described as a black male juvenile,

5-foot 8-inches tall, about 150 pounds. Police are investigating.

During the early morning hours of May 8 vandals broke into something at a window on the 600 block of Peralta Avenue causing the glass to shatter. There were no witnesses, UC officers are investigating.

On the afternoon of May 8 thieves broke into a 1991 Honda Civic and stole a cellular phone and departed unseen.

Just after midnight vandals broke into a 1991 Honda Civic and attempted to steal the car. They fled unseen without taking anything.

At about 11 p.m. on May 8 a security guard at a complex on the 500 block of Orway Street reported observing someone attempting to break into the parking garage. The subjects aborted their attempt to hide. When officers arrived the guard was out the hiding place and attempted to run. The boy, Richmond and ages 15 and 16 were apprehended and taken to Juvenile Hall.

On the morning of May 8 vandals smashed the window of a Honda Accord parked on the block of Kains and arrested the driver parked on the 700 block of Kains.

During the early morning hours of May 12 vandals broke into the window of a 1989 Suburban and a 1989 Jeep parked on the 500 block of Pierce Street. They stole a cellular phone from the Cherokee. There were no witnesses.

Between 1:30 a.m. and 10 p.m. on May 11 broke into an apartment on the 900 block of Jackson Street and stole items of value and departed unseen.

During the week of May 11 Albany officers fingerprinted people at their request. Two cars, responded to 18 calls, attended to two deceased, assisted 12 people who were out of their house or car and one report of a backing

Letters to the Editor



The above cartoon was submitted by Albany resident Dave McMahon who was arrested at the Albany School Board meeting April 30 after attempting to display trash collected from the neighborhood around Albany High School.

Trash prompts contest

Editor:

I would like to post a prize of \$100 to the Albany High School student who writes the best short essay on the following topic: Using as a basis The Journal article of May 2 titled "Resident Arrested at School Board Meeting," write a short essay on First Amendment rights vs. public order.

The best essay shall be determined by the teachers of the students submitting the essays.

David McMahon
Albany

The good news at school

Editor:

Last night (March 24) my husband and I and about 500 people from all over Richmond attended the West Contra Costa Area III Spring Band Festival. It was a ROUSING success, with bands from all over the area playing together under the adept direction of Dan Buegeleisen, Rand Clark, Steve Halbe, Gary Jagard, Lisa Lasson, Janis Lieberman and Pat Martin. It was wonderful to watch so many faces and bodies create something together that brought joy to a whole bunch of folks. This is what music is all about.

My daughter, Ali Edney, was one of the over 80(!) clarinetists in the Elementary Honor Band. About a week before the concert, she had said that she might want to quit the clarinet and take up another instrument like the piano. (She doesn't yet know that she will be "taking it up" regardless of her

feelings about it.) She wasn't sure that she enjoyed playing the clarinet and she was tired of all the practicing.

Then she had her first rehearsal with all those kids and all that noise and all those new sensations, and all of the sudden she was excited about the clarinet again, about the band, and about making music with a bunch of people she hadn't known before.

None of this would have happened without the blood, sweat and tears of the music teachers in our West Contra Costa schools. Without their dedication and determination, our children would be missing one of the high points of education — the discovery and exploration of making music with your neighbors.

In these days when we hear so much about what is going wrong with our schools and with our schoolchildren, it is good and necessary to hear about the quiet revolution that happens when people and music get together. It reminds us that not all concerts end in violence, not all gatherings must be forced and not all people from various backgrounds need to hate each other.

Last night was a reminder of what being in a community means. I for one will work very hard to make sure that this happens again and again and again. Three cheers for our kids, three cheers for the sacrifices they made to be there last night and three cheers for the music teachers who brought goodness to light!

Amy Ukena
El Cerrito
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Albany student accosted at Cougar Field

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — An Albany Middle School student was accosted by another juvenile at Cougar Field May 3 at about 6:37 p.m. The suspect hit the youth twice, then stole his bike.

Two men approached a male victim in the 900 block of Lexington Avenue at about 12:50 p.m. May 6. The men hit him with closed fists and grabbed the necklace from around his neck after he refused their demands for his wallet and jewelry. The suspects are described as black males, 18 to 20 years of age, 6-feet-plus in height, about 180 pounds; one was wearing blue pants and a striped shirt, the other, black pants and a black shirt.

Der Wienschnitzel was robbed on the evening of May 7. The thief purchased food, then returned, displayed a gun and demanded cash. He is described as a black male, 29 to 30, 6-feet to 6-feet 1-inch tall and 200 pounds, wearing a red beret, a dark flannel shirt and a dark T-shirt.

A Carson City, Nevada man and a Richmond woman were arrested for possession of a vehicle reported stolen out of Crockett and using it to evade an officer between Cutting Boulevard and Brighton on San Pablo Avenue. The incident occurred at 2:27 a.m. May 8.

Two female suspects were responsible for a purse theft at FoodsCo at about 8 p.m. May 8. One distracted the victim, the second took the purse from her cart.

A home was burglarized in the 800 block of Shervin Drive during the morning of April 29. Cash and electronics were taken. In the same block, at 11 a.m. May 9, two female suspects entered the rear door of a home while one resident was working in the front yard but fled when confronted by a second resident.

A window was broken and the sliding door entered in the 7400 block of Park Vista during the daytime April 29. Cash, jewelry and electronics were taken after the home was searched (2:04 a.m., May 5), a Richmond woman at

Potrero and South St. (2:29 a.m., May 4), a Pablo man at South St. and Creely Avenue at 11:00 a.m. May 8.

Two Richmond male suspects were arrested out of El Cerrito after throwing at new vehicles and breaking down at about 10:53 a.m. May 8.

A 1991 Acura Integra reported stolen in the 800 block of Balra Drive during the May 2.

Attempts were made to steal a 1978 Cadillac DeVille from Cerrito Plaza between May 5 and a 1987 Chrysler from a lot in the 11700 block of San Pablo Avenue.

Five auto burglaries were reported. Indash stereos were from the 900 block of Street between May 10 and the 1000 block of King Street between April 23 and 24. A successful attempt was made to hotwire the second car. Clothes and a suitcase taken from a vehicle parked on Blotter.

Affirmative Action forum to be held

ALBANY — Polls show that California Civil Rights Initiative (CCRI) has many people concerned about affirmative action, an issue that touches on fundamental American values such as equality, opportunity and racial harmony. Contrary to popular belief, residents of small California cities are educating themselves about affirmative action and CCRI. Albany Families for Multicultural Education (AFME) will bring a controversial issue to Albany when it hosts "Affirmative Action: Community Forum" at 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 22 at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1325 Portola Ave. (between Key Route 99 and Carmel Avenue).

"Once voters understand that the playing field is not level, as well as the nature of affirmative action, they generally are supportive of programs that increase opportunities for people of color and women, who have historically been denied access to many institutions and upper level positions within them," said Carlos Muñoz, forum speaker and Albany resident.

Following speaker presentations, a lengthy question and answer session will be moderated by Barbara Rogers, KPXX-TV news anchor. The speakers at the forum are: Barbara Christian, Professor, African-American Studies, UC Berkeley; Lillian Galedo, Executive Director, Filipinos for Affirmative Action; Vicky Hamlin, La Jolla, County of Alameda; Carlos Muñoz, Jr., Professor Ethnic Studies, UC Berkeley; Paul Rockwell, author, *Angry White Guys* for Affirmative Action.

"I am very honored to be invited to speak. Our group is reaching out with a message of mutuality and rejecting policies of resentment. We are all bound together in a mutual support system," said Rockwell.



Lillian Galedo, executive director of Filipinos for Affirmative Action, will speak at the forum.

The forum will focus on what affirmative action is; the distinction between affirmative action and quotas; the history, context and benefits of affirmative action for families and communities; the background, divisiveness and potential impact of CCRI.

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EC Library to hold book sale

EL CERRITO — The Friends of the El Cerrito Library will hold their first-ever Bag Sale at the El Cerrito Farmers Market event on Tuesday, May 21, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the El Cerrito Plaza.

Albany Families for Multicultural Education, the sponsor of the free event, is dedicated to increasing understanding and acceptance of the various cultural groups represented in California in the general community and its institutions (schools and city government). AFME members are parents, community members and educators.

For more information contact Sally Douglas Arce at 251-9516 or Elva Yanez at 527-5954.

The Friends will bring thousands of paper and hardback books to the May 21 Farmers Market. For a mere \$2, purchase an empty Friends of the El Cerrito Library book bag and load it with the books from the Farmers Market selection.

All sales will be on a first-come-first-served basis, so interested parties should come early to build their best collection.

El Cerrito council takes action

EL CERRITO — The City Council last week passed a resolution supporting Senate Bill 1971, which would restore full funding for tobacco use prevention and education efforts.

Storm relief sought

City staff will again apply for a Hazard Mitigation Grant through the California Office of Emergency Services for Colusa Avenue storm drain improvements. Neighboring residents of Colusa Avenue suffered major problems during the severe rainstorm of January, 1995. Flooding damage occurred on Carmel, Pomona, Ramona and Curry, among other streets, and caused damage to garage doors, garage and basement contents and landscaping improvements.

The series of storms that occurred in Contra Costa County at the time caused President Clinton to declare it a federal disaster area, opening up the possibility to apply for different types of reimbursement funding.

Staff did procure funds for storm debris clean-up through the Federal Emergency Management

Administration public assistance program.

At the same time, staff pursued HMG program funds last year but was informed they were not available. Federal Highway Administration Funds were also sought; the application was denied.

In March, however, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services notified staff that the original denial of HMG funds by FEMA was in error. El Cerrito was encouraged to re-apply. HMG funds are specifically designed to construct improvements which will correct a deficient condition so it's less likely to cause a problem again.

If the funding is granted, the city plans to improve the storm drain system upstream of the Colusa Avenue neighborhood where the flooding occurred. El Cerrito's storm drain engineering contractor, Harris and Associates, has already designed a project to increase the capacity of the drain in the area.

A 25 percent match is required by HMG funding. According to maintenance and engineering services supervisor Mori Struve, the required amount would be available through Measure J storm drain

improvement funds.

The HMG funding is the same source being pursued for repair of the Wildcat Drive slide.

New committee member

Ky Katsumoto has been appointed to the city's Crime Prevention Committee. According to chair Lloyd Jung, the committee helps "neighbors get to know each other better" so they can be available to each other should an emergency occur, puts on Neighborhood Watch meetings, and provides free home safety inspections.

Neighbors are also encouraged to continue to meet together after initial organization, perhaps taking the next step and joining the Neighborhood Emergency Assistance Team disaster preparedness program sponsored by the El Cerrito Fire Department.

"Mainly, we're teaching people how to make their neighborhood safer and their homes safer," Jung said.

The committee has a few vacancies and is seeking out new members.

Katsumoto is a 26-year resident of El Cerrito.

Newsline

Portraits featured

EL CERRITO — The Kensington Area Republican Women will meet Wednesday, May 22 at the Mira Vista Golf and Country Club, 7900 Cutting Blvd., El Cerrito, and will feature Betty and Bob Krueger of Lafayette.

The Kruegers will show a C-SPAN video and slides of the July 1995 unveiling of White House portraits of George and Barbara Bush, both by Herbert Abrams, and the unveiling in November 1995 of the official portrait of George Bush by Ronald Sherr, at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery. The Kruegers who

are members of the Kensington-El Cerrito Congress of Republicans, funded the three portraits.

Social time will be at noon and lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. Reservations should be made by May 18 by sending a check for \$10 per person payable to KARW, to Dorothy Champion, 2687 Tamalpais Ave., El Cerrito 94530; telephone 237-4152.

GRIP celebrates

RICHMOND — The Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir, under the direction of Terrence Kelly will give a benefit performance for the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP) on Saturday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Cornelius Church Auditorium, 28th Street and Mac Donald Avenue in Richmond. GRIP is celebrating 30 years of

service in West Contra Costa County, having provided programs such as The Souper Center, Winter Shelter Program and Adult Day Care Center. Admission is free on a first come first served basis.

Obituary

Frank Godec

The Crusade for Children President Frank Godec died May 5 of a massive heart attack. He was 70 years old.

He and his wife were composers of the song and video, "It shouldn't hurt to be a kid," which was shown on public cable systems in Nevada and California.

The El Cerrito couple has spent years working with their organization to educate children and parents on how to help stop child abuse.

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Events, meetings, classes...

Berkeley History Walking Tours: Ocean View, Victorian West Berkeley. Meet guides Curt and Stephanie Manning at 10 a.m. at Sixth and Delaware. Reserve at 848-0181.

BOSS celebrates 25 years of homeless services Sunday from 5 to 7 p.m. with food, music, poetry, entertainment, and remarks by people who have used BOSS services and who have worked for the agency. Two tickets to Hawaii will be raffled. Scottish Rite Center, 1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland. 649-1930.

The Himalayan Fair is Saturday and Sunday at Live Oak Park, Shattuck and Berryman. Authentic Himalayan music, dance, food arts and crafts. \$5 donation benefits Tibetan, Nepalese and Indian charities.

Albany Y's fifth annual wine and food tasting is this Saturday from 4 to 7 p.m. \$12 pizza tasting party and childcare available. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. Call 525-1130.

Everything to do with roses — including rose bushes — can be found for sale or on display at the Celebration of Old Roses this Sunday at the El Cerrito Community Center, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 7007 Mooser Lane. Proceeds go to public Old Rose gardens.

California Writer's Club meets Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at the Berkeley City Club for lunch. Naomi Epel, author of *Writers Dreaming*, will speak. 845-4725.

Berkeley Rent Board Nominating Convention is Sunday, May 19, 1 to 5 p.m. at the Veterans Building, 1031 Center. \$3-\$10 donation (no one turned away for lack of funds).

LEGO spectacular at Lawrence Hall of Science Saturday: Build — or watch others build — Bay Area landmarks from LEGOs. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Centennial Drive. 642-5132.

Neighborhood meeting to discuss Berkeley civic center, library improvements, May 15, 7:30 p.m. at South Berkeley Senior Center, Ashby and Ellis.

San Pablo Avenue community forum on Saturday, May 18, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. St. Columba Church, 6401 San Pablo Ave., Oakland. Corridor residents, business people urged to attend.

"Tips for Preparing a Petition," a workshop by the Berkeley Rent Stabilization Program, will be held Wednesday, May 22, at noon at the RSB

Law Library, 2125 Milvia. 644-6128. **Mystery Writers Roundup** at M.C. Newburn Books, 950 San Pablo Ave., Albany, this Sunday, 2 to 4 p.m. All welcome. 524-1370.

Walden School's spring fair, with huge book sale, games, raffle, and live entertainment, takes place Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 2446 McKinley at Dwight. Free.

Word of Mouth poetry series presents Sharon Fain, Teri Marquis and Jody Seltzer. Barnes and Noble, 2352 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 644-0861.

Easy Going hosts an Armchair Traveler Reading Group beginning Monday, May 20, at 7:30 p.m. Ellen Seabury on Alaska's *Inside Passage Traveler: See More, Spend Less (by ferry)*. May 21, 7:30 p.m. Free. 1385 Shattuck Ave. at Rose, Berkeley. 843-3533.

Kensington 55+ Activity Center: May 23, 11 a.m.: Paleolithic Cave Art with Virginia Wald. Potluck salad bar with guests follows. Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington. 526-9146.

"Creating a Wildlife Habitat in Your Own Back Yard." Find out how on Saturday at the Ecology Center's gardening class series, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Pre-register at 548-2220.

"A Night Among the Stars": Stagebridge Storytellers in the Schools Program benefits from an evening of dancing to music of the '30s and '40s with complimentary appetizers and no-host bar. California Ballroom, 1736 Franklin, Oakland. Tickets are \$25, 44-4755.

Women's New Moon Celebration Friday, May 17, 7:30 p.m. \$10. Call 874-4935 for reservations.

City Commons Club hosts Serge Petroff on "Economics in Russia Today as Seen by a Businessman" on Friday, May 17, at the Berkeley City Club. For information or reservations call 848-3533 or 845-4725.

Tour the Berkeley City Club Sunday, May 19, noon to 4. No reservations needed. \$2 per person. 848-7800.

Black Oak Books — Tonight: Elizabeth Reba Weis, Karen Coyle, Lori Kendall, Judy Malloy, Laurel Sutton, reading and discussion from *Wired Women: Gender and New Realities in Cyberspace*; May 17: Michelle Cassou, *Life, Paint and Passion: Reclaiming the Magic of Spontaneous Expression*; May 20: Jim Paul, *Medieval in LA*; May 21: Floyd Salas, *State of Emergency*, and

Himilce Novas, *Mangoes, Bananas and Coconuts: A Cuban Love Story*; May 22: Tom and Jean Sutherland, *At Your Own Risk: An American Chronicle of Crisis and Captivity in the Middle East*; May 23: Jaia Sun Childers and Douglas Childers, *The White-Haired Girl*. All at 7:30 p.m. Shattuck Avenue at Vine, Berkeley. 486-0698.

Benefit for Laws Cruces Biological Station, site of one of the most important living plant collections in Central America, will be held tonight, 6 to 8 p.m. at the Brazil Room at Tilden Park, Berkeley. Tickets begin at \$100. Call 800-553-6151.

Reading: Vista College students read from their seventh annual "Milvia Street" art and literary journal. Saturday, 6 to 8 p.m., West Branch Berkeley Public Library, 1125 University.

Contra Costa Hills Club: May 19: SF beach dunes to Thornton Beach (934-5924); May 23: Five-mile hilly walk through Bayside Brisbane. (415-467-6167). **Center for Psychological Studies** hosts Ruth Cohn, M.A.M.F.C.C., on "A Family Crucible: Reworking Traumatic Relationships in an Incest Group for Women" on Friday, May 10, noon to 1:30 p.m. 1398 Solano, Albany. 524-0291.

REI: "Classic Mountain Biking Destinations." Owner of HareBrain Adventures Mountain Bike Tours, Bob Ward, will speak and give a slide show on Thursday, May 23, 1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 527-4140.

East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse celebrates its new site with a grand opening tonight, 5 to 7 p.m. San Pablo Avenue at Folger St. Entertainment, art show, bread, cheese and ice cream. 547-6470.

Gala Bookstore — May 17: David Abram, *The Spell of the Sensuous*; May 21: Sylvia Boorstein, *Don't Just Do Something, Sit There*; May 22: Robert Moss, *Conscious Dreaming: Spiritual Path for Everyday Life*. All at 7:30 p.m. 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 848-GALA.

"Report Card on Racism in America" — A community discussion at Berkeley Public Library on Friday, May 17, 7 p.m. Speakers include attorney John Burris, columnist Brenda Payton, writer Ishmael Reed, businessman and activist Geoffrey Pete, Million Man March participant Noonie Peet. 2090 Kittredge. 644-6870.

"Caesarean Birth," one of a series of five prenatal lectures, is scheduled for

Tuesday, May 21, 7:30 p.m. at Alta Bates, Ashby Campus. 204-1334.

Berkeley Hiking Club: May 19: Mount Vision (526-3760); mini-hike: Abbott's Lagoon (540-5050).

Self-guided tour of fountains and gardens, sponsored by A New Leaf Garden Gallery, will be held Sunday, May 19, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A reception will be held 3 to 6 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and proceeds benefit school art programs. 525-7621.

British alpinist Doug Scott will present a slide/lecture on the Nanga Parbat Pilgrimage and the Seven Summits on May 20, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Royal Robbins Store, 841 Gilman St., Berkeley. Tickets \$12; \$10 in advance. 527-1961.

East Bay Heritage Quilters will hear Kathleen O'Connor on "Getting There," on Monday, May 20, 7:30 p.m. at First Unitarian Church, Kensington.

North Berkeley Senior Center: May 20: Closed for Malcolm X's birthday; May 21: Donna Lerew adn Her Magic Violin, 12:30 p.m.; May 22: Dealing with Difficult people, 10:30 a.m.; Chronic Disease Support Group, 1 p.m.; Ever Young Performers, spring music, 1 p.m.; May 23: video movie; *Ghostbusters*. 1901 Hearst/MLK Jr. Way. 644-6107.

Cody's: Tonight: Christina Middlebrook, *Seeing the Crab*; May 19: Bill Bryson, *Notes from a Small Island*; May 20: Holly Hughes, *Clit Notes*; May 21: Rickey Vincent, *Funk*; May 23: Karen Armstrong, *Jerusalem*. All at 7:30 p.m. 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley. 845-7852.

Cajun Festival Saturday, May 18, 2 to 7 p.m. Berkeley Marina. \$5, \$2.50. Music, food, dancing.

Cafe Europa: Discussion and social activities for survivors of the Holocaust and their families. Sunday, May 19, 3 to 5 p.m. Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center, 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley. 704-7475 ext. 968.

Turning Point Career Center, University YWCA: Drop-in support groups Mondays, 10 a.m.-noon and Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 p.m., \$5 members, 10 non-members; May 21, noon to 1 p.m., "Opportunities Within the Hospitality and Tourism Industry," \$3. 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley.

Performances

New Pickle Circus performs "Pickle Slices" to benefit Cal Shakespeare this Saturday at 1 and 4 p.m. Bruns Memorial

Amphitheater, Gateway Exit, Highway 24, Orinda.

Ashkenaz: Tonight: Wise Monkey; May 17: African Rhythm Messengers; May 18: Voz de Brazil; May 19: Jewish Folk Chorus, 4 to 6 p.m., and California Cajun Orchestra, 8 p.m.; May 21: Anoush Elias; May 22: Auz Cajunals; May 23 Resistance. 1317 San Pablo, Berkeley. 525-5054.

Black Repertory Theatre presents *Triumph*, a one-woman show by Vanessa McDaniel (Sister "V") on three Sundays only: 8 p.m. May 12, 19, and 26. \$5. 652-2120.

The Jazz Piano Festival takes place this Sunday at 4 p.m. at Maybeck Recital Hall. Featuring Peter Apfelbaum, Weber Drummond, Gary Fisher and Joe Gilman. \$25. Reserve at 848-3228.

Speakeasy Theatre presents Grace Walcott in *Redress: Cowgirl of the Open Plains* tonight through June 1. \$12. 845-4100.

Baroque Choral Guild presents Bach's Mass in B Minor with Magnificat Baroque Orchestra and guest soloists on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. First Congregational Church, Dana and Durant, Berkeley. \$18, \$13, 408-737-9950.

Berkeley Ballet presents *The Woodland Prince* May 18 at 2 and 7 p.m. and May 19 at 2 p.m. at Julia Morgan Theater, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley. For ticket information call 798-1387.

Trinity Chamber Concerts hosts Kitty Nez, piano, and Amy Brodo, cello, playing music by contemporary composers. Saturday, May 18, 8 p.m. Trinity Chapel, 2320 Dana St., Berkeley. 549-3864.

Kimball's East: Jose Feliciano through May 19. 5800 Shellmound, Emeryville. 658-2555.

Tempelbar: Pua mae 'Ole Dancers, Saturday, 9:30 p.m. 934 University Ave., Berkeley.

Nancy Raven performs folk songs for all ages on May 18 at 10:30 a.m. at La Peña. \$3/\$2. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 849-9397.

Black Repertory Group presents the *Bubbling Brown Sugar*, a musical review based on the golden years of Harlem. "Soul-revitalizing, soul-riveting sounds" include songs like "Sweet Georgia Brown," "Ain't Misbehavin'," "God Bless the Child," and more. Tickets are \$3 to \$10. Thursdays through Saturdays through June 2. 3201 Adeline, Berkeley. Call 652-2120.

Roosters, The Minstrels, Spaceheads, Action Slacks, May 18: Conundrum, The Family; May 23: Patty Spillane, Winingham. Open electric music Sundays at 8:30 p.m. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 841-1424.

Yoshi's — Robben Ford, Jeff Pittson Trio; May 21: 6030 Claremont, Oakland. 432-0300.

Religious Activities: **Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists** — May 19, 10:30 a.m. "Dealing with Loss and Grief." 1924 Cedar at Bonita. 841-4400.

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Tibetan Buddhism — Sunday, May 19, 10:30 a.m. at Leslie Brudrum, Free. Institute. Call 843-6612. For information.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church: Saturday, May 18: St. Alban's Talent Show followed by potluck. The Rev. Leslie Willis will preside. Acts 1:8-1501 Washington Ave., 1716.

Society for Humanistic Judaism hold a special Sabbath service. Stacie Fine, community director for the National Society for Humanistic Judaism in Detroit. Friday at the Albany Community Center. 1249 Marin. 933-1284.

Support groups, self-help: **American Schizophrenia Alliance** for the Mentally Ill provides new support group for families and adolescents with mental illness. Tuesday, May 21, 7 to 8:45 p.m. at the Claremont Branch Berkeley Library. Regular monthly meeting. Video on "Negative Symptoms of Schizophrenia." 841-8361.

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Public Hearings will be held as follows:

Tuesday, May 28 at 2:00 p.m. in Oakland EBMUD Board Room, 375 Eleventh Street

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Albany set for Bike Commute Day

ALBANY — Roads will be less crowded and the air cleaner today as thousands of bicyclists participate in the 2nd Bicycle Commute Day. Organizers hope for a boost to their efforts as community officials, clean air activists, bicycle advocates and thousands of citizens organize to get commuters out of their cars for the day.

Bicycle Commute Day is one of the most important in a growing political advocacy movement to convince gov-

ernment officials and city planners to seriously consider the bicycle as an effective means of transportation in our car-burdened cities. It is estimated that if commuters rode bikes to work twice a week the reduction in petroleum consumption would equal what the U.S. imports from the Middle-East.

Many communities are hosting Energizer Stations near popular bike-commute routes. Albany organizer Steve Ericksen was pleased

with the level of support from local food vendors, "Anyone who ventures out on a bike Thursday morning will be treated right by us — bagels, coffee, muffins, you name it. And with no guilt since bicycling is great exercise!" Albany-area Energizer Stations will be at Colusa and Solano avenues, Masonic and Solano avenues, and at the University Village Community Center. They will be serving refreshments from 7 to 10 a.m.

YMCA Wine & Food tasting this weekend

ALBANY — The fifth Annual Albany YMCA Wine & Food Tasting and Silent Auction will be held from 4 to 7 p.m., featuring a wide variety of premium California wines and gourmet food from popular caterers as Britt Marie, Chee Panisse, Citron, Galtic, Rivoli, Grace Bak, Royal Cafe, Chestnut Tree, Semifreddi's, Starbucks,

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Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. A children's pizza-tasting party and child care are available for children of attendees at the YMCA Kids' Club Center on Solano Avenue (\$5); advance registration is advised.

The Albany YMCA is at 921

Kains Ave.

For more information, call 525-1130.

The Annual Wine & Food Tasting is one of the Albany YMCA's biggest fund-raising events each year. All proceeds benefit Albany YMCA youth and adult programs, helping to make them available to families in our community regardless of their ability to pay.

Albany PTA Council News

Time for elective sign-ups

Parents of AMS seventh-graders are reminded to look for elective sign-up sheet coming home with their student Monday, May 20. Despite parent interest in enlarging the science curriculum, we have no certainty that any eighth-grader who wants a year of science will be able to enroll in it.

Currently, students are being told that there are 62 spaces available for full-year science. Spaces are filled on a first-come, first-served basis, and applications are accepted at the MS office on Tuesday morning, May 21, starting at 8 a.m.

Students who want to take a year of science next year will be in line before that. This year, students began lining up their applications at an hour before the office

opened. However, help may be on the way. This year's students can hope that the School Board will increase elective time at the Middle School, which would allow for more science as well as other subjects. However, that decision can only happen as part of the 1996-97 budget process, which begins this week.

There are many interests competing for the district's money. PTA Council believes that restoring lost curriculum should be this year's top priority.

The School Board will hold a special hearing on the 1996-97 budget on Tuesday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. at Cornell School. PTA Council representatives will be there. Parents who wish to see curriculum restored in Albany schools should plan to attend this meeting or make their feelings known to school

By Peggy Thow

board members by telephoning them. You can leave your message for the School Board by calling the district office at 559-6614.

Meetings This Week

Vista-MacGregor PTA has postponed its meeting until Thursday, May 30, at 7 p.m., at Vista.

PTA Council meets Monday, May 20, at Albany Middle School at 7:30 p.m. We'll fine-tune our suggestions for Tuesday's School Board budget hearing, including ideas that will cost the district little or no money to implement. All interested parents are invited to attend and vote.

Albany Board of Education holds a special budget hearing on Tuesday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. at Cornell School.

Marin School holds its Open House on Thursday, May 23, from 7 to 8 p.m.

Cornell School PTA meets Thursday, May 23, at 7:30 p.m.

West County School Watch

By Glen Price



The El Cerrito High Jazz Ensemble (above) will appear with the concert and symphonic bands Thursday, May 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the ECHS Cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students.

El Cerrito High School Music Program: Past, present and future

This week, West County School Watch takes a special look at the past, present, and future of the El Cerrito High School music program. The piece is presented in two parts. In the first, ECHS alumna Wendy Waits, Class of '68, gives a historical perspective on the program. Waits lives in El Cerrito and is currently a freelance computer programmer/technical writer. In the second, I interview the program's current director, Dan Buegeleisen.

"Down the field for El Cerrito, Gauchos all the way; fighting for our Alma Mater, this is what we say."

By Wendy Waits

Fighting for my alma mater, this is what I say. I had the luxury of participating in the El Cerrito High School music program during the very crowded, but financially well-endowed "baby boom" years. Now it seems our richly woven music tradition is fighting for its life.

El Cerrito High School has a very harmonious instrumental music history. From the beginning in the 1930s when the campus was first built, ECHS included music classes in the curriculum. Band, orchestra and music appreciation classes were all available.

During the World War II years, a marching band was formed, possibly to give those unable to participate in ROTC drills a place to march. The

flourish.

My story begins here. I joined the music program in 1966 as one of many violinists. Of course, my parents thought I was a prodigy, my private teacher suffered through my lessons by telling me that her other students were so much better and Mr. Nelson offered me a deal I couldn't refuse. I was just good enough to play in a First Violin capacity, but of course, so could most of his students, but what he really needed was a viola section. If I played viola for just one semester I could then sit in the First Violin section. I played my one semester of viola and then gladly took my place with the other violinists.

There were so many musicians in the program then. We had at least six cellos (very rare today) and a full complement of string basses (unknown today). Wind and brass players begged and pleaded for seats in the orchestra. There were so many students at ECHS during these boom years that we had three lunch periods. Mr. Nelson held two band classes and orchestra during these lunch periods so we could all move around and sit in different musical groups.

As a string player, I could not participate in the Marching Band. The Marching Band was large enough during this era to form complicated and intricate tableaux. I was envious of my wind- and brass-playing friends, so I decided to join them. The first year I was the designated poor handler. I held giant cardboard guitar

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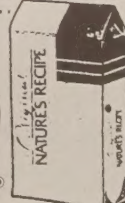
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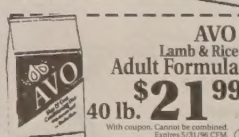


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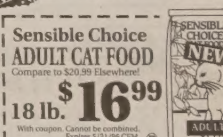
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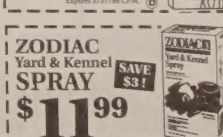
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Letters

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Got our attention

Editor:

In regard to your article April 30 concerning the arrest of Albany resident Dave McMahon, I wonder what it would be like if we had more citizens like him! I am sorowed to hear that they felt it necessary to arrest Mr. McMahon. All he has tried to do is to get our attention focused on a chronic problem. Maybe we should all listen!

I also lived near the High School for several years and found the litter being constantly dropped by the students to be a full-time job. Why not have the students who are put into detention do clean-up? Why not keep Albany looking like the kind of town we all want?

I am disappointed that we feel the need to have someone who is trying to make life better for all of us punished instead of praised. He did manage to do one thing.

He got your attention! Wake up, folks, our kids are watching!

Leslie Grady-Hruska,
Albany

Missed the point

Editor:

I am writing to complain about the many inaccuracies and slanted perspective in Greg Huginin's front-page article about Berkeley's decision to prepare and amicus curiae to support the Citizens for Responsible Government lawsuit (May 2).

Most importantly, the article does not explain the Berkeley City Council's unanimous vote to write a brief and why the city was forced to this point. The author does not identify Berkeley's position, and falsely represents Mayor Dean's question to Ladbroke's attorneys which focused on Berkeley's recourse if Albany does not mitigate issues raised in an Environmental Impact Report.

Berkeley had no recourse to take, given the circumstances. Albany refused to follow the CEQA process and prepare an Environmental Impact Report on the development agreement prior to the November 1994 election, which had been requested by Berkeley representatives.

Without that sequence of events, the electorate of Albany could not make an informed decision in their vote, and the neighboring community of Berkeley could not express its concerns about a project which would have serious impacts on its residential Ocean View district and the social service demands on Berkeley. The Berkeley City Council voted to protect the rights of their community and the integrity of environmental law in the state.

Mayor Dean came to the heart of the matter when she asked Ms. Shimko what options were available to Berkeley, if Berkeley's concerns were

not mitigated in an E.I.R., which the developer is proposing to prepare. It was Ms. Shimko who responded that Berkeley would have to sue Albany, because it would be up to Albany to decide if Berkeley's concerns were worth mitigating.

Mr. Huginin fails to understand Berkeley's motivation in this action. It is not the Albany Council-sponsored initiative which is the heart of the CEQA lawsuit; rather, it is an irrevocable development agreement which was approved without an Environmental Impact Report. I hope that future articles about this topic will more fairly represent the main substance of the issue.

Mimi Malayan
Berkeley

Reporter's response: the words "voted unanimously" appear in the first paragraph of the article in question. To say that the city of Berkeley was "forced" to support the lawsuit (compelled by the use of physical or moral strength) would be subjective for a news story. Berkeley's position is one of supporting the lawsuit, whose main thrust is identified at the end of the article. Mayor Dean's question is represented as follows:

Berkeley Mayor Shirley Dean asked if her city might file a lawsuit in the future if the council was unhappy with mitigations provided by Ladbroke. "You could if you chose that route," said (Ladbroke attorney Ann) Shimko.

As for the "many inaccuracies," there are, I admit, two. It was mistakenly reported that the council's closed session convened in "the wee hours of the morning," when in reality they finished just before midnight. Also, due to a typo at the editorial level, Berkeley resident Wang Po Shu was called Wang Fo Shu.

Crippled with laughter

Editor:

My wife and I just returned from spending some time in Turkey and the Western Caribbean area and had the opportunity to enjoy the entertainment of four great comedians. Today I was pleasantly surprised when reading your latest edition of *The Journal* I find a (letter) by my old friend Dan Freudenthal that really crippled me up with laughter. I laughed so hard that I cried. Dan really is a good comedian I always look forward to His amusing articles. Thank you for printing them occasionally.

Roy Mespelt
El Cerrito

An accident and no more

Editor:

In response to Martin Snapp's comments regarding the crash of Jessica Dubroff's small plane in Cheyenne, Wyoming last week, I'm not sure why I'm not outraged, as it appears most of the American population is, regarding the tragic

death of Jessica Dubroff, her father, and her flight instructor. Perhaps it's because I have flown a small plane and know the risks involved, perhaps because I myself have sent my son up with my instructor in the hopes of giving him a new experience and realize that the risks involved in his flying are certainly less than those I take each day when I drive with him on the freeway.

What I am outraged about is the comparison of Jessica's flying to a child driving a car. Such comparisons can only be made by those who have never sat in a small aircraft. These planes have dual controls—meaning that the person in the right seat has identical control of the plane as the person in the left seat; there are two yokes (to steer the plane in the air), two sets of foot pedals (rudder/brake/steering on the ground), and equal access to the radios. Jessica's instructor was there to take control of the plane the second it was necessary and on several occasions it was reported that he in fact did just that.

It is not the parent's fault any more than it's the parent's fault if a child drowns or is hit by a car. Accidents happen. This was an accident. If anyone is to blame, it is the person who made the decision to go in spite of the weather conditions. Certainly this decision would not have been left up to Jessica.

Scores of parents take their children on sight-seeing flights, on hot-air balloon rides, on glider rides, and on helicopter rides. Why are those any different—if one of those flights went down, would the parent on board or the parent on the ground be criticized as negligent?

Everyone has different parenting styles. Some believe in the public school system, some in the private school system, and some in home-schooling. Some parents let their children play with toy weapons—others don't allow their children to play with anything, toys included. If Jessica had lived, I would guess that many parents would re-think their view on home-schooling. The parenting style in which Jessica was raised had nothing to do with her death.

This was a terrible, tragic, and unfortunate accident. The sad but true reality is, accidents happen. Jessica Dubroff, her father, and flight instructor died in an accident. End of story.

Linda Goldfarb, Albany

Blotter

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1000 block of Elm Court during the night of May 6; on the afternoon of May 7, someone stole electronic equipment from a home in the 7900 Cutting Boulevard. Earlier that afternoon, a one had ransacked a vehicle in the 9000 block of Shevlin; nothing was reported stolen.

• Attempted auto burglaries were reported in Eureka and Lexington May 4 at 5 p.m. in the 3400 block of Carlson Boulevard (four male suspects seen). A window was broken at Tradewinds May 5.

• Mail was reported stolen from a mailbox in the 700 block of Seaview Drive between 11:30 a.m. May 4. Two male juveniles were seen.

• Keys were reported stolen from the pocket at Church's Chicken May 8 at 8 p.m.

• A backpack was taken from a locker at the El Cerrito Community Center between 5 and 5 p.m. May 8. Two female juveniles were seen.

• A wallet was taken from a backpack in the 700 block of Ashbury Avenue May 3.

• Valuables were taken from a gym locker room at the El Cerrito Community Center on the afternoon of May 8.

• A windshield was broken at 10 a.m. at Moeser and Kearney.

• A vehicle window was broken at Richmond Street at 1:27 a.m. May 2.

• A car was scratched, possibly between May 5 and 9 in the 3200 block of Clara Avenue.

• A San Pablo male juvenile was arrested on BART path in the 11200 block of San Pablo Avenue after giving false information to the police.

• Two domestic conflicts and one domestic violence were reported.

• Shoplifting arrests were made at (two Richmond female juveniles), Lucky rito Plaza (an El Cerrito man), and Emeryville woman, an Oakland male juvenile, a Richmond female juvenile, a Richmond male juvenile and a Richmond male juvenile.

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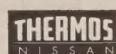
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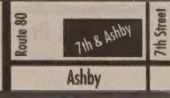
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Scharff is often referred to by clients by banks, accountants and the community, knowing ADP's reputation and low-cost payroll and tax service.

When starting a new business it is important to have excellent service in the payroll and tax categories. Scharff's services are necessary in the beginning of a start-up business. "It is essential that one focus on their business at hand and not let their 'backroom' tax work," Scharff said.

He also refers business to business development centers in the area such as Oakland's Small Business Development Center. The center gives the owner free beneficial advice on how to obtain loans, develop marketing plans and accountants with business resources at no charge.

Some new employers do not understand what their responsibility is toward employees. For example, they



Michael Scharff

become tax collectors for the government, setting up Workmen's Compensation and auditing their state unemployment tax. This is an area where small businesses lose money off of their bottom line.

Recently married to his wife Katherine, a speech pathologist working with geriatric stroke patients, the couple enjoys long walks, exercising, bicycle riding, hiking, and any outdoor activity. A softball team pitcher, Scharff coaches first-time Pop Warner football players. As an avid reader, he expands his vocabulary and knowledge and is heavily into computers.

Vicki Widenor hosts Social Security Changes on Live Satellite Broadcast

What is the future of Social Security, what steps are being taken to fix the system and how will the proposed changes affect you? These questions and others will be answered Wednesday, May 22, when Vicki Widenor, Edward Jones investment representative, hosts a live satellite broadcast from Capitol Hill featuring Senators Bob Kerry (D-Neb.) and Alan Simpson (R-Wyo.). The senators will discuss the proposed change to the current Social Security system and how these changes may affect you.

"The future of Social Security is a topic many people are concerned with," Widenor states. "We are pleased to offer the people an opportunity to learn first-hand about the challenges facing the system and the proposed solutions."

The program will be broadcast live via Edward Jones' private satellite network to the firm's more than 3,300 offices nationwide. The program will also be interactive so viewers can call in and present questions to the senators.

For more information, phone Widenor at 525-3347 or visit her office at 1760 Solano Ave.

Albany YMCA's Fifth Annual Wine Tasting

Albany Chamber of Commerce

By Fern Luoma



Eight Chamber of Commerce members will participate in the Albany YMCA's fifth Annual Wine and Food Tasting and Silent Auction this coming Saturday from 4 to 7 p.m., 921 Kains Ave. They include Solano Grill & Bar, Gina's Pizza and Restaurant, Semifreddi's, Grace Baking, Magic Garlic, Domino's Pizza, Royal Cafe and Albany Safeway.

Other restaurants will be participating with 42 wineries, with proceeds used to support youth and adult programs. Advance tickets are \$15, \$18 at the door, and children are \$5. Children are invited to participate in a pizza-tasting party. For information, phone 525-1130.

Appointments Only for Foley, McIntosh and Foley

William R. Foley, attorney at law, announced the law office of Foley, McIntosh and Foley, 1225 Solano Ave., has consolidated its Albany office with its Lafayette office. The firm will retain the office in Albany for consultation on an appointment-only basis.

The firm's practice is oriented to providing personal service and high-quality legal

services to individuals, professionals and businesses. Areas of its practice include general civil and trial practice, business, real property, probate and trust law. For information or appointments, phone 524-4123.

Businesses relocated

Two Albany businesses recently moved their locations for better service. Jay Bunker, D.C., moved his office directly across the street from where he practiced to 1304 Solano Ave. Phone 528-3058.

Albany Video Service owner Allen Cain is now at 933 San Pablo Ave., moving into larger quarters. His phone number is 524-4447.

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Diane Posner now chef at Daniel's Highland Cafe

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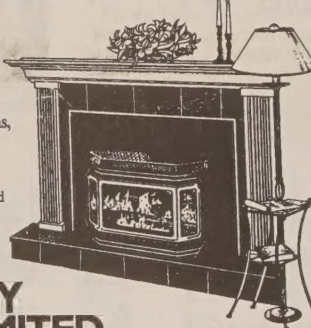
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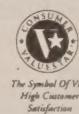
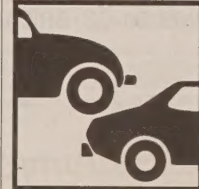


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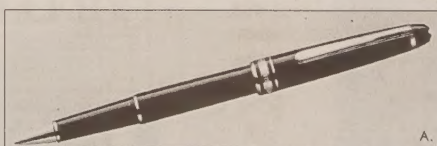
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One man's depression-era adventures in mining

Jack Pruyn retired from being a contractor and developer. But it was his earlier career as mining engineer and metallurgist that interested me. We met, he and his wife Dee and I, during our Oakland Museum trip to Death Valley. And it was hearing some of his stories that caused me to call on them later for an interview.

Actually, he had been taking a pre-med course when he found himself rooming with two architects and a doctor who were living in one room. "I think it cost us \$9 for room and board," he remembers, "or \$10 if we had dessert." And he was working as a janitor in the mining building.

He speaks of thumbing his way

up to the mines to look for a summer job. "I told him I would work for nothing for a day so he could see how good I was. That got to him. Also, the fact that I was short and strong. Being short was a real plus in the mines. After that I could always get a job."

All this was during the Depression. And it was because of the Depression that he switched from pre-med to mining, "which was the smartest thing I ever did." He adds, "I always had a job, because anyone who would go in for mining underground ... And I loved it."

He tells of working with explosives. First, as a mucker: two guys working together drilling an adit (any crossword fan knows that word). "You drill a bunch of holes. It takes you all day. Holes all around the area, and in the center. About 15 minutes before quitting time you start lighting fuses. You light the ones in the center, and when it blows it will blow from the center out, and everything breaks to that. And when things go zzzzz, it tells you it's time to get out!"

Another time he was gassed. But I must go back a bit to tell you that he worked for Ralph Merit, an entrepreneur. It was Merit who sent him to Ely, Nev., where he was to test some timbers in an old mine. First, he tells us about Ely — a town with two streets. One was all bars and one was all bordellos — with neon signs. This was 1939, and neon was everywhere.

He sent the crew of five men, who had come with him, up to the second level while he looked around the first level. He went up

the ladder and was about to get into the area where his crew was working when he noticed that the lights were not moving, and he realized "the guys were lying on the floor." At that moment he fell backward into a car filled with ore. "I woke up lying beside five dead men, with people punching on me." He was the only survivor. They had all been gassed.

Then there was his adventure in the Buckeye Mine in Forest Hill near Paradise. He explains it was a river long ago buried underground by a geologic lava flow. So although it was underground and buried there was water there beneath it. There was a white layer of "tuff," with volcanic matter on top of that. The miners had to go in below the tuff layer. It was an old mine which had not been all worked out when it was closed in 1860. With modern methods it was possible to get out gold that had been almost impossible to reach in those days.

Two men were working in the gravel on the outside of the room that Pruyn entered. He could hear them through the wall. He went around the walls doing soundings and finding them shaky. Coming across an opening, he looked into another tunnel which seemed to be of all-white pumice. He followed this, and found himself again opposite the men working outside.

Suddenly he heard a puff — an ominous sound. Behind him a big slab of pumice had fallen, and the water was starting to rise. "I am going to drown," he thought. After a moment of panic he decided to keep himself distracted until help

came, by keeping track of the time. On a ledge near him he would put a small chip for every hour that passed, and a large rock for every day. It went on and on. He couldn't hear a thing, and felt no vibrations. And it was dark. He worried about using up all of the oxygen, and the water did keep coming up. He didn't even hear the noise of the two guys working outside.

As you expected, finally the miners who had been working outside broke through the slab of pumice, looked in and said, "How you doin'?" "I'm doing fine, he answered. They made a hole for him to scramble through, which he did with alacrity. At last he asked them, "How many days was I in there?" They looked at each other and grinned. "You've been in there for about 15 minutes."

Merit was running a mine in the Furnals in Death Valley, but the war closed it down. However, you must do at least \$100 worth of work to maintain the claim with the government. Merit had sent Jack to do assay work there. He had to do some 'singh jacking' (sledge hammering). This was before pneumatic drills. You had to hit the rock with a chisel, turn it, hit it, turn it, etc. — which is how miners got silicosis, or, as they called it, 'rock in the box.'

Being "way out in the desert," they had 50-gallon drums of water up on the surface — ice cold in the mornings, but by night it was boiling hot.

There was a copper mine nearby which belonged to Hearst. He grins as he tells how Hearst bought it. He

Community Folk

By Clara Rae Genser



gave the Frenchmen who owned it a check. It was a year or so later that the Frenchmen, having traveled around the horn to New York, found that the check was no good. They came all the way back to confront Hearst. By then, of course, the mine had been worked, and Hearst had the money to pay them.

He speaks of the milling process, which used water, and the times the water would suddenly stop. They found that the Jennys (little burros that had been left in the desert by miners and become wild) had tasted the water leaking just a little from the pipes leading down to the mine. They would kick the pipes until they made a break and the water would flow where they could drink it. This happened often, Jack tells us.

When he first started mining, the men wore cloth hats — and stooping and working as they did, they were constantly hitting their heads. Finally, state law decreed hard hats. The first hard hats, he remembered, looked like World War I helmets. Also, at first the men used candles for light. Later it was carbides. Jack showed me the candle-holder hats and those that used carbide.

He gave me some examples of kinds of mines he worked in, and how they worked. It was most interesting. So were the rest of his stories, but space does not allow.

Jack and Dee Pruyn are an energetic, active couple. Although now retired, they maintain a great interest in life. His hobbies are sailing, building model airplanes, and rebuilding Mercedes — he showed me an old one in his garage that he is working on. It happens to be the one model I have dreamed of. Ah, well ... Dee is a gardener, and is active in the Cerrito Garden Club.

Returning to his mining, Jack says, "It was an exciting part of my life. And it was exciting for the girls. No way to spend the time was making. The mine takes room and board for the miners puts the rest of their money in the bank. It adds up."

And of his years as a contractor, he speaks of building two homes in Berkeley and the one in Wildcat Canyon where they were born and brought up. He says, "It is the everyday side. As Jack says, the mining days were the exciting, romantic ones. And he enjoyed his stories about them."

As noted, I met the Pruyns on a trip, and visiting them in El Cerrito home was pure joy.

I still need your input: interesting people, activities, events, organizations, etc. Please write to me at 555 Pierce St., Albany 94706, or call 525-4444, e-mail me at crgenser@aol.com

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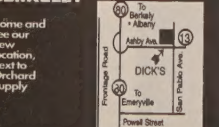


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The Cajun Festival this Saturday at the Berkeley Marina promises fun and games for ages 1 to 100, including free rides courtesy of Hornblower Dining Yachts.

The Sundogs and Andrew Carrier and the Cajun Classics provide music for dancing from 2 to 7 p.m., and Skates and Hs. Lordships will prepare a Cajun crawfish boil and Cajun crab cake sandwiches.

Admission to the festival is \$5. Seniors and children under 12 are \$2.50; under 6, free.



Women's orchestra turns 11

The Community Women's Orchestra presents its 11th spring concert on Sunday, May 19, at 4 p.m. at Le Conte School, 2241 Russell, Berkeley. Suggested donation is \$5. On the program are Aaron Copland's "Quiet City," Gwyneth Walker's "Up Front Concerto," featuring Johanna Cepach-Cholinn on hand-drum, and Brahms' "Rhapsody No. 1 in D for Large Orchestra." For information call 428-1350.

Yarn-spinning experts

There are new worlds to discover and old worlds to remember at the 11th annual Bay Area Storytelling Festival this Saturday and Sunday, May 18 and 19. Performers from across the nation — storytellers, singers, raconteurs and liars — will engage in contemporary and traditional storytelling and songs at Kennedy Grove Regional Park in El Sobrante.

The festival is a project of the Storytelling Association of Alta California and is recommended for adults and children 9 years and up. It is produced with the assistance of the Association of Children's Librarians and cosponsored by the East Bay regional Park District. Tickets for the festival are available for the entire weekend, by the day, or for an evening performance. For more information, call 235-2906.

Literary award night

PEN Oakland invites the public to celebrate the 6th annual PEN Oakland Josephine Miles Literary Awards at Pro Arts, 461 Ninth St. in Oakland, on Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m. A reception will follow.

Keynote speaker is renowned Bay Area author Al Young. The program will include readings by this year's award-winning authors Chitra Divakaruni, Barbara Guest, Reginald Lockett, Jerome Rothenberg, Pierre Joris, and Gerald Vizenor.

The late Josephine Miles, in whose honor the awards are presented, was a highly regarded poet, critic and professor of English at UC Berkeley. Although the PEN Oakland-Josephine Miles Awards are national, the majority of this year's winners are from the Bay Area.

The donation is \$5 at the door, and \$4 in advance. For more information call 548-3306.



Cowgirl finds herself

Solo performer Grace Walcott is the whip-wielding heroine of *Redressa: Cowgirl of the Open Plains*, opening tonight at the Speakeasy Theatre Company in Berkeley. In this fictional biography, Walcott, who has been dubbed an "amazingly sharp and funny actor" by the SF Weekly, plays a feisty and comically confused cowgirl from Crystal City, Texas, who finds affection, her Jewish lesbian split personality, and a home. Call 845-4100.

World folk music

Westwind International Folk Ensemble presents "Crossings," an evening of international folk choral music from Eastern Europe, North America and Africa. Special guest soloists will perform folk songs from Japan and Ireland.

Soloist for Japanese folk songs is Bryan Umeki, and Corey Carleton is soloist for Irish songs.

The performances are Saturday at 8 p.m. at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley.

For ticket information call City Arts Box Office at 798-1387

Northbrae up close and personal

Berkeley Hedge Elementary School will hold its fourth annual "400 Steps Urban Hike," a day of guided tours through some of Berkeley's most intriguing and visually captivating neighborhood architecture and landscapes, this Sunday, May 19.

Tours will depart every 20 minutes from 9 a.m. to 1:40 p.m. from John Muir Park off the Arlington at Southampton in North Berkeley. The tours will focus on the Northbrae section of Berkeley, which in 1907 was considered as an alternative location for the State Capitol.

Local architects, horticulturists, photographers, historians, and nature writers will supply hikers with the anecdotes, personality sketches, and visionary perspectives. A dollar tax-deductible ticket is \$20.

Country Joe carries on with new CD

By Larry Kelp

Carry On may be Country Joe McDonald's first album in five years, but he has no plans to hit the concert trail.

"I realized it's been 30 years since I moved to Berkeley and wrote 'Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-to-Die Rag.' I'm 54 years old and I don't want to see the inside of another night club. I decided to take this year off," McDonald said.

The Woodstock generation rock star and one-time City Council candidate proclaims that he is satisfied being a happy house husband with his wife Kathy and their two young children, Ryan and Willie. The only thing that would tear him away is a good cause, he says. Two of them (good causes, that is) are coming up.

McDonald will host the opening of BTV (Berkeley Cable Channel 25) when it relocates to Berkeley High School, June 8 from 6 to 10 p.m. But first, McDonald said, "I think we'll celebrate Memorial Day in honor of the vets who died in Vietnam."

After helping stage the first Berkeley Veterans Day program in recent history last November, where he unveiled the Berkeley Vietnam Memorial, the plan for May 27 is to install a permanent computer to access the memorial in the Berkeley Historical Society and hold a public ceremony.

McDonald's role as Country Joe started the summer he moved to Berkeley, 1965, after completing a hitch in the Navy. He used music to protest the Vietnam war, launched a psychedelic folkie-rock band Country Joe & the Fish, then in 1969 the film "Woodstock" turned "Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-to-Die Rag" into a loopy anti-war anthem and McDonald into a national counterculture hero.

That's the image most of America continued to have of McDonald until last Veterans Day when his years of working to honor Vietnam vets paid off not only with the city's memorial, but also got him a full page in *People* magazine and dozens of other national and international publications. "Even the London Times called me. If there hadn't been a Vietnam I wouldn't have become the Country Joe figure. So for me this is a real turning point."

As a military veteran himself, McDonald has long worked with veterans' organizations. At the Kent State and Washington Vietnam memorials a few years ago he sang the songs he had written for his parents' funerals, and found that these personal songs touched others who had been through loss as well.

Those two songs are the heart of the new album, *Carry On*, which after release in Europe last year, has been issued stateside by Shanachie Records. The title song was written for his father, Worden's memorial seven years

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'Of Love and Shadows'

Ponderous conversation mars film of Allende book

By Renata Polt

In *Of Love and Shadows*, by American-born Venezuelan director Betty Kaplan from the novel by Marin County's Isabel Allende, two handsome young people in 1970s Chile attempt to expose the corruption of the military regime. Meanwhile, they fall in love.

Think *For Whom the Bell Tolls*, or *The Year of Living Dangerously*, with Spanish accents (the film is in English, with mostly Latin American actors, some dubbed, some not).

But "Living Dangerously" was an exciting film with fairly plausible characters. Not *Of Love and Shadows*. The Germans have a term for this kind of "art": "Edel Kitsch." Hard to translate precisely, "Edel Kitsch" means something like high-falutin', pretentious kitsch.

The dialogue, (screenplay by Donald Freed, who wrote Robert Altman's *Secret Honor*), is the worst offender. I couldn't stop jotting down howlers like these: "You must live — be strong — you have to fight." "I work in the shadows." "We once were young, in Spain, in the middle of the Civil War." "I want to be with him, in victory and defeat." "I have lived in a dream; I am afraid to wake up."

Does anybody you know talk like this? Maybe these lines comes straight from the novel, which I haven't read. If so, shame on Allende. If not, shame on Freed.

The story line is no better. Irene (Jennifer Connelly) (*Higher Learning*, *Mulholland Falls*) is an aristocratic young woman who works for what appears to be a fashion magazine. Her position there isn't clear, but evidently she has the authority to hire, because that's what she does



Antonio Banderas and Jennifer Connelly in 'Of Love and Shadows.'

with Francisco (Antonio Banderas), a psychologist ("Freud, Jung, Marx") turned photojournalist.

Though engaged to her cousin Gustavo (Camilo Gallardo), Irene comes on to Francisco. "Which of my pieces did you like the best?" she teases. Francisco takes her home to meet his salt-of-the-earth family, refugees from Franco, quite a contrast to Irene's snobbish, fascist mother.

Irene and Francisco's first job together is a story on a village "saint," a young woman with supposed healing powers who goes into orgasmic convulsions while flames shoot up mysteriously around her. (This is for a fashion mag, mind you.) No South American novel would be complete without a touch of magic realism, and the "saint" reveals superhuman strength tossing a soldier into a pig wallow.

When the young woman is "disappeared" by the army, Irene and Francisco go to investigate. Taking a break by a stream in the country, Irene says, "We should go back to the office." The soaring string music leaves no doubt that they're about

to kiss.

When they finally do go back to the office, they happen onto the funeral of Francisco's brother Javier. They've been out of town for a few hours, and meanwhile Javier has died and been buried?

Our two journalists exercise extraordinary forensic powers when they find some corpses in an abandoned mine and immediately conclude that one of them is that of the young "saint."

Other bloopers include Irene's hair, wildly curly through the film's first half, suddenly straight as spaghetti in the mine scene — which is also the scene in which the two, their faces transfigured as if by martyrdom, finally give in to their passion.

I didn't hate everything about *Of Love and Shadows*. Irene's hand-knit blue sweater is nice, and so are the stained glass windows in Francisco's parents' house. There are some nicely atmospheric scenes in villages and cantinas.

But never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for some other movie.

Capturing a Flamenco way of life

By Carol Egan

Two years ago, at the request of her friend, Diana Alejandre, Madeline Berger took some publicity photos for a flamenco concert. Although she has always considered herself an artist, having painted seriously since the age of 19, it wasn't until that request came that she even considered photography as an option. "At first I hated it. I was a plain air painter, and here I was, locked in a darkroom with chemicals."

However, the subject was close to her heart, being an aficionado, student and performer of flamenco for 26 years. As she says, "I know everything they're doing onstage because I know the music, I know the dance." She also soon recognized the benefit of doing photography. "I have 42 unfinished paintings at home. With photography I can see the results tomorrow."

For the remainder of this month

'I have 42 unfinished paintings at home. With photography I can see the results tomorrow.'

—MADELINE BERGER

18 of her photos will be on exhibit at La Peña in Berkeley. Under the title *Blanco y Negro* (black and white), *Photographic exhibit of California flamenco artists in performance*, this show represents Berger's debut as a photographer.

Berger's romance with flamenco goes back more than a quarter of a century when she and her ex-husband moved to California. She began studying guitar with George Thompson, and her taste for flamenco developed quickly. After a year with Thompson, she was determined to study with some of the masters of flamenco.

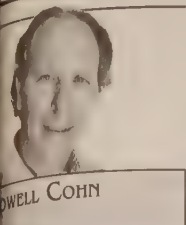
At her insistence the couple visited Spain. They traveled to small towns in Andalusia, the seat of the Gypsy style of music and dance, where they met a number of singers, dancers and musicians. She briefly studied with guitarists Diego del Gastor and Pedro Bacán. Bacán's cousin, a "fiestero," invited them to many all-nighters where, even in the tiniest bars, exquisite art would be made. Berger fell in love with the people, their art and the familial atmosphere into which she was accepted. "The gypsy is where it's at for me."

Once she returned to the States, Madeline discovered several excellent flamenco teachers — at first in California where she began her dance studies with Raquel López, later in New York City, a brief train ride from the upstate New York home she had moved to from California. She began private dance classes with Estrella Moreno, a Spanish girl who gave lessons in Hell's Kitchen. After a year with Moreno, she went to Carnegie Hall studios to study with Tibu de los Santos whose husband, Manuel Agujetas, accompanied the class with *cante jondo*, the deep-throated gypsy style of singing.

Although she was always interested in the cante, for many years there was an unspoken belief that no one outside the gypsy community could learn it. "I'm a Jewish girl from Brooklyn who didn't have r's."

Once she moved back to California, however, she began studying cante with Augustin Rios in Mill Valley. Now she occasionally performs as a singer and regularly accompanies La Romera's dance classes with cante. Recently she returned to the study of cante jondo, trading singing lessons for publicity photos with José Galván.

By now, Berger knows the entire flamenco community of California. About the la Peña exhibit, she says,



DOWELL COHN

Bonds is his Barryness' off the field, too

Barry Bonds has made news lately for:

- Playing great baseball and, roughly up a sportswriter.
- Wanting to focus on No. 2 and the position it raises. Does Bonds act like a jerk only around sportswriters, or is he the same twit around his teammates?
- You bet he is.
- The other day, I phoned some of his teammates at one of the team's road hotels. "Could you talk to Barry?" I asked one of them. Silence followed. I could hear this player debating with himself: "Do I say it or don't I say it?" Finally, the player told me, "If I want to talk about what Barry is on the field, I'll be happy to talk about him. Otherwise, it's not my place to talk about him. I don't want to make waves."
- Interesting statement. It meant to talk about Barry is to make waves, i.e. to say what a pain he is, though as you'll soon see, "pain" is the operative word about Barry in the San Francisco clubhouse.
- Not in touch with someone else who has an intimate knowledge of the Giants' inner workings. "What do the Giants players think of Barry?" I asked him.
- "Oh they all think he's an a--," my source replied matter-of-factly, as if his statement were as obvious as, "The world is round."
- "Could you elaborate?"
- "Happy to," my source said. "A lot of guys feel Barry puts in such effort to be an a--hole that it would be more time-efficient just to be a good guy. He makes an effort to be a better person, to stir it up. He's the center of the game. We all know that. At times, he needs to remind people who he is, what he is, and what he's all about. If he feels he's the center of attention, he'll do anything to make himself the center."
- Barry's miserable character has led to a peculiar circumstance in the clubhouse. The players never initiate conversation with him. They've been rebuffed often, put down, treated poorly — just like sportswriters, right? — and after a while they simply decided, the hell with it.

Here's how things work: If you begin a conversation with a teammate, the teammate is happy to respond. Otherwise, Barry is left to his own orbit, in a world of his own. Oh, there's one exception: "Don't speak to Barry," he speaks-to-you rule." Melvin talks to Bonds and actually has to be his friend. On the other hand, Hall is new to the team, so he's how long that lasts. You ever get to Candlestick Park batting practice, especially the first game of a series, notice Bonds talks to the visiting team. That's because he hasn't got them off to the extent he's pleased his own guys. All of which leads to a troubling question: Can you build a team when one hates the star?

Not asking.

Let's pull back from Barry for a moment, and compare him to Matt Williams. Polar opposites. Williams is not asked for the spotlight. When he hits a home run he trots and the bases with his eyes fixed on the ground. He is polite and even-tempered. Does the impression that he is a guy merely doing his job, that if he were different, he could be anywhere else and would be exactly the same.

You get the feeling that Barry is normal, has the same personality as you and I, is someone

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EC's Kajiwarra on Vassar time

By John Gardella

When Dax Kajiwarra was a senior point guard on the Albany High basketball team, he was so punctual his coach and teammates decided to play a practical joke on him by showing up for practice 15 minutes early.

When he showed up, so the thinking went, he would be ragged on for being late. Good idea. The only problem was, Kajiwarra was one of the first players to arrive.

"That's the kind of kid he is," said Doug Kagawa, Albany's coach then and now. "He was never late for practice. He was so perfect in punctuality, a real quality kid."

Four years later, Kajiwarra is still punctual. Soon, he graduates from prestigious Vassar College, on time, a Phi Beta Kappa. Along the way, he co-captained the basketball team and set the school single-season mark for

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El Cerrito's Dax Kajiwarra, right, was the NCAA Division III 3rd leading assist man playing point guard for Vassar this year.

Cal finally lands a point guard

EC's 'Circus' King transfers back from San Diego State

By John Gardella

Raymond "Circus" King is now going to be putting on his show closer to home and under a much bigger tent.

The former El Cerrito High star point guard said Monday he is transferring from San Diego State to Cal. His high school coach thinks it's the right choice.

"It's a good decision," said Chris Huber, who coached King at EC. "Every kid from the West Coast wants to play at the next level, the Pac-10. Raymond's very capable and he proved it last year at San Diego State."

As a 5-foot-10 freshman, King averaged 7.6 points

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EC's Lim almost does the impossible

By Peter Mentor

Grant Power was, is and will be the favorite this week at the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League tennis championships, but don't expect the Bishop O'Dowd sophomore to be cocky about it.

Sure, Power is confident, especially since he won the whole enchilada last year as a freshman.

Add to that the fact that Power went 17-0 this season, was hardly challenged by the competition and didn't drop even a single set in league play before last Thursday.

But if there was any thought that he would come into the league finals Tuesday at Piedmont High half asleep, that was dashed last Thursday at El Cerrito when Gauchos senior Chris Lim did the impossible.

No, Lim didn't beat Power. But he did take a set off the O'Dowd ace, forcing him to play his first three-set match this year.

It was an interesting match. Power breezed to a 6-0 win in the first set, including four service winners.

Lim caught on fire with his serve in the second set. He was getting most of his first serves in, and when he wasn't he went all out on his second serves. He was playing on his home court in his last-ever singles match and had nothing to lose. He knew it and everybody there knew it.

Lim is the No. 2 singles player at EC. Pat Petzel, the No. 1 guy, had lost to Power the past two years and EC coach Norm Seraphin decided Lim deserved a chance to go at Power.

Both Lim and Petzel are playing doubles at the league championships, so this was Lim's last shot at playing high school singles.

"He had a no-lose outlook," said Power of Lim. "I had everything to lose."

After losing the first set, Lim played all out in the second set. He broke Power's serve three times in the second set for a 6-3

victory.

Power became intense in the third set. He cursed himself, even when making some of his winners. He had a chance to unravel, but he never lost concentration. Instead, he focused even more and came out a 6-2 winner.

"The true test of a champion is if they can win when they are not at their best," said Power. "Not taking anything from him (Lim). He served really well throughout the match. Any time you serve well, it's tough to do bad. He played very aggressively. I played more tentatively from the baseline."

Lim had a smile on his face throughout the match. He knew he was playing well and he enjoyed it.

"I probably couldn't have done better against Grant," said Lim. "I wanted to go out with a good match. My serve was on. I was just rushing the net to make him miss shots."

Lim kept his smile, but he lost his focus. Instead of building on the second set, he lost his edge.

"I lost intensity in the third set, because I had accomplished what I needed to," said Lim. "The pressure started getting to me."

Power was a winner at No. 1 singles, and the O'Dowd duo of Taylor McDonald and Dennis Thomas defeated Jonathan Huang and Ed Hamati, 6-2, 6-2, in No. 1 doubles, but that was it for the Dragons.

Petzel had taken the No. 2 singles match, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, in a three-setter over Wilson Lau, and EC No. 3 Austin Day won, 6-1, 6-2, over BOD's Peter MacIvaine.

EC's Nathan Tsuzaki and Abraham Coffman pulled out a 6-1, 7-6 (7-4) match over O'Dowd's Gregg Knotts and Frank Reed.

The Dragons were winning in No. 3 doubles and it seemed the overall team match would come down to the No. 4 singles between EC senior Eli Robbins and O'Dowd senior John Leibe. Robbins had won the first set, 6-4, but Leibe came back to win, 7-5, in the second.



Jeff Lindquist

Sickened by heat, de Latour stays hot

By Peter Mentor

The pool at Laney College Saturday was so warm that Alex de Latour felt as if he was going to be sick.

But the St. Mary's swimmer was so outstanding, that he dominated the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League championship meet.

But the Panthers finished third with 25.5 points, way behind winner Alameda with 503 points, and second place Bishop O' Dowd (395). El Cerrito was sixth with 179 points.

The Hornets won the championship for the 17th time in 20 years, a record that goes back through three leagues and spans two decades.

Alameda won only three races, two of them relays, but the Hornets have a team the size of a whale when compared to the minnows coming from the other schools. More swimmers translates into league titles.

The power of team depth gave Alameda the edge. The Hornets JV scored 421 points, winning the meet for the seventh time in 10 years.

O'Dowd's JV was second over-



Jeff Lindquist

St. Mary's Alex de Latour on his way Saturday to setting the ACCAL 200 free record.

all with 357 points, followed closely by Salesian, which was only one point behind in third with 356 points. Then came De Anza (133), St. Mary's (124), Encinal (40), El Cerrito (29), Piedmont and Holy Names.

The boys' varsity meet was dominated by de Latour and Encinal swimmer Bayani Flores, each setting

two new individual records.

de Latour broke the mold in the 200 free, swimming 1:43.53 to erase the old record by more than half a second. The former mark of 1:45.20 was set in 1993 by Patrick Foster of Alameda.

Flores was next, knocking off more than two seconds from his own league record in the 100-IM.

Flores went from the 1:59.21 he set last year to a 1:56.66 set last Saturday.

Not to be outdone, de Latour blasted the 5-year-old 500 freestyle record. He went 4:42.27, wiping

Panthers' swimmer broke the mold in the 200...and then blasted the 500 freestyle record.

out the 4:47.16 set by Perry Monroe of Alameda in 1991.

de Latour said he felt good halfway through the grueling 500, but felt like he was going to be sick near the end of the race because the pool water was so warm from the hot sunny day.

Flores then set his sights on the 100 backstroke and got it.

He swam a 52.91 to wipe yet another Patrick Foster mark (53.55) from the books.



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Seneik Saavedra

EC runner heads to state

By John Gardella

El Cerrito High girls track coach Maurice Scott is fairly blunt in his prediction for his star runner Seneik Saavedra.

"Four years from now, I'm looking for her to be in the Olympics," he said of the high school junior.

That may not be such an unachievable goal, especially if Saavedra continues to improve. Last weekend, she placed first in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League trials in the 400, with

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It was hot, but ABGSL came out scratchin' & clawin'

MICRO DIVISION

In two split-team doubleheaders at Codornices Park last Saturday, the Stutz Olive Oil Wildcats and Black, Brown and Lanier Advocats bared their claws once again, while the Jane Hammond Events HomePlates feted the Davitt FelderStamps Royals. Three homers kept the Wildcats alive in a scorcher.

Firstbasewoman Sarah Ball capped the Wildcats' power play with a grand slam, and Paige Freiburger and Caitlin Morrissey also scored home runs.

The Advocats rebutted by scratching out single after single, and Julia Schneider's brilliant play at third base kept the Advocats in close contention.

In other Micro games, Royals infielder Bijou Felder doubled home 2 runs in the 1st. HomePlates starter Olivia Kragen smacked a 3-run double in the bottom of the 1st. But Royals righthander Lauren Halperin made 2 unassisted forceouts at home to end the inning.

Closer Al Underwood helped keep the game close with tight defensive backup by the HomePlates' infield. Playing heads-up first base, Christina Skonberg tagged out 2 baserunners between 1st and 2nd, and shortstop Leah Framow-Wong caught a pop fly on the first bounce and turned to tag the runner heading for 3rd.

YOUNGER DIVISION

Tiddlywinks Pink Panthers vs. Nolo Press Sharks

The Nolo Press Sharks opened up the 1st inning of this slugfest with 2 quick runs before the Tiddlywinks Pink Panther defense was able to head them off. The Sharks offense was cut short by a clutch line drive catch by Panthers shortstop Jennifer Smith. Led by doubles by Sophie Simon-Ortiz and Katie

Kaldunski and a flurry of singles by teammates, the Panthers scored 7 runs in the bottom of the 1st to take the lead.

The Sharks powerful bats brought them close to taking the lead in the 3rd inning. Triples by Lauren Sonderagger and Coryn Brodsky followed by a long flyball double to left by Georgia Tapp and a key single by Devin Thompson kept the Panthers alive.

The Panthers struck back, led by a double by Sydney McIver that scored 2 runs. Sharp defensive play by the Sharks pitcher, Emily Silverstein and a snagged line drive by 3rd baserunner, Mary Stevens, held the Panthers in check.

A 7-run blast led by Alana Kopke's double drove in 3 Sharks runs. But their offense was nipped by a key line drive catch by the Panther's 3rd baserunner, Lydia Raya. Four back to back doubles by Echo Gilbert, Katie Kaldunski, Sophie Simon-Ortiz, and Jay Teng and another string gave the Panthers 9 runs in the 4th to cement their lead. When the smoke cleared, the Panthers had won, 31-26.

Mason McDuffie Mustangs vs. Thornwall Properties Silver Bullets

In their second meeting of the year, the Mason McDuffie Mustangs and the Thornwall Properties Silver Bullets showed different faces than seen in the first game. In the first game both teams scored a total of 63 runs, but this game ended with only 9 runs.

In the 1st inning Mustangs Moriah Grey and Sara Ludwig scored with the help of Ilana Baar. The Silver Bullets responded in the bottom of the 4th with 6 runs spearheaded by the hitting of Amanda Eyges and Sarah Adams. Then in the 2nd Bullets pitcher Amy Havens threw out the lead runner at 3rd. Mustang Ila Kemplin was stellar at putting out the

first 3 batters and keeping the inning scoreless.

In the top of the 3rd Bullets pitcher Eva Mortimer-Maibeth caught a pop-up then threw to 1st for a double-play. The bottom of the 3rd was similar when Mustangs pitcher Merry Grashin helped keep the Bullets to a single run despite strong hitting by Bullets Sophia Perkins and Olivia Camenga. The final score: Mustangs 2, Silver Bullets 7.

Andronico's All Stars vs. Nelson Meyer & Ung Bandits

Bandits batters came out swinging with a 7-run 1st, helped by solid singles from Rebecca Williams, Vivian Carlson, and Rachel Castro. The All Stars answered with 6 runs in the bottom of the 1st, capped by Michelle Porter's 2-RBI triple. In the second, both teams scored again, with Sacha Maxwell's solo homer to left center stealing the show.

Strong defense then began to determine the outcome of this 6-inning game, starting with shortstop Elise Priewe's snowcone catch to end the Bandit's 2nd. Bandits pitcher Emma Kemp responded with 3 unassisted putouts in the bottom of the 2nd, but then the All Stars held the Bandits scoreless in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th, including 3 putouts at 1st by Amy Strauss and a fine play at 2nd by Hannah Johnson.

The Bandits' defensive play was also excellent, including an Olivia Rivera catch in right field, robbing Danielle Moore of a sure homer. But the All Stars were not to be stopped. RBI singles in the 4th by Maxwell, Martina Miles, and Sonja Prins sealed the victory. The final score was All Stars 18, Bandits 11.

Dr. Brehnan's Smilemakers vs. Red Oak Realty Renegades

A see-saw battle between Dr. Brehnan's Smilemakers and the Red Oak

Realty Renegades saw the lead change 6 times. Thirteen runs were scored in the 1st. Five Renegade runs were scored on hits by Casey Osborn, Janya Jawad, Lucie Carosel, Andrea Woodward and Jessie Woodward. A grand slam by Talia Kostick and a 3-run homer by Liana Caunes gave the Smilemakers their first 8 runs.

The 2nd inning saw the Red Oak's score 4 more runs and then holding the Smilemakers scoreless as Anne Leff-Kich made all 3 put-outs.

The Smilemakers came back in the 3rd racking up 8 runs highlighted by a homerun by Rose Cote and Hannah Hausauer's 2nd triple. Red Oak tied the game at 16 only to be slowed by a great double play by Smilemakers Talia Kostick and Hannah Hausauer.

Laura Donaldson scored the go ahead run in the bottom of the 4th. Casey Osborn and Charlotte Herbert both made good for the Renegades on defense. The final score was Dr. Brehnan's 21, Red Oak 16.

MIDDLE DIVISION

Hans Stahlschmidt Painting Tornadoes vs. Alta Bates All Stars

The Alta Bates All Stars fought an uphill battle against the Hans Stahlschmidt Painting Tornadoes to end the game at 12 all. The All Star pitchers, Katie Warwick, Kirsten Bender and Lizzie Lesch, had a tough time in the beginning keeping the Tornadoes bats quiet. Hans Stahlschmidt took a 5-run lead.

After 4 more Hans Stahlschmidt runs in the 2nd, the Alta Bates' defense started working when Lesch and firstbasewoman Julie Hirano put out 2 Tornadoes. Lesch then topped it off with a strikeout.

The All Stars finally scored in the bottom of the 2nd on a 2-RBI single by

Roxana Noris and Katie Warwick sending in another runner.

Alta Bates defense picked up in the 3rd, but the Tornadoes scored 3 more, expanding their lead.

Down 12-3, the All Stars started hitting with RBI by Kier Wallis and Emma Goulart. Kirsten Bender got a big All Star hit slamming one down the 1st baseline for a 3-run homer. Ramona Gonzales followed it up with an RBI triple. The battery of pitcher Rosie Moorehead and Kirsten Bender, saw a strikeout and 2 force outs at home holding the Tornadoes scoreless. What a comeback for the All Stars.

With 2 away and 3 runners on, Bender scored 2, followed by Rosie Moorehead who knocked in a 3rd to tie the score before the clock stopped the game at 4 innings.

Grossman and Gibbs Defenders vs. Autuma Press Flying Pigs

The Grossman and Gibbs Defenders came out swinging on Saturday afternoon in their victory over Autuma Press. Joe Warner, Lorin Suslow and others checked in with extra base hits. Rachel Heavner had 3 hits reaching base safely in each of her at bats. Zoe Griffith, Gilly Suslow, Alex Phillips, Samantha Dolgoff and Laura Edgar all checked in with singles.

Defensively the Defenders also turned in an impressive performance. Heavner made a nice catch of a fly ball to right. The Suslows combined on a heads-up play tagging out a runner at 2nd.

A solid pitching performance which helped limit Autuma Press to 2 runs, were turned in by Joe Warner, the Suslow sisters and Alex Phillips.

Five Star Video Generals vs. Vivien Lopez Mighty Molars

The Five Star Generals made a dramatic comeback in the bottom of the 4th, but it all went for naught when a 5-run Mighty Molar rally in the next frame proved to be the difference in a 22-17 slugfest.

Vivian Lopez built a 17-11 after 3-1/2 innings, thanks to the Meredith Williams' home-run and a 2-RBI double and Sasha Harris-Lovett's strong hitting. Zoe Hitcher, Talia Zemach-Bersin and Caitlin Goetz all exhibited strong play in the field to maintain the lead.

The stage was set for General heroics in the bottom of the 4th. Nina Samuel and Rachel Leibman led off with singles. Krislyn Patterson drove in a run with a

single. Kaitlin Riddle singled bases. Miri Plovman hit a home run. Pera Gerson walked to lead Elizabeth All then cleared that to a 3-run triple. The score was 22-17.

But the Teeth proved strong in the 6th run of the 4th. They recorded 5 runs in the fifth, the Molars sent Nina Samuel to the mound. She pitched a 3-inning to maintain the lead and win the win.

OLDER DIVISION

Jesse Young Construction vs. We Be Bop

Good offense and defense good enough, marked this game Young Construction. Jesse Young, Audrey Raya and Amara particularly good games as they recorded 5 runs in the fifth, the Molars sent Nina Samuel to the mound. She pitched a 3-inning to maintain the lead and win the win.

The We Be Bop bats came out swinging, but Jesse Young first singles by Alison Shoppert, Thornton-Alson and Raya, and by Anna Carlson.

The 4th saw Jesse Young hit a home run; Webster and Raya hit doubles. Greenstein, Shoppert, Purbaugh and Kelly Jackson hit singles hitting the score to 12-11.

In the 5th, pitcher Jackson didn't walk any Bopper but the Jones offensive attack, no score by Jesse Young and ended with We Be Bop out there.

Sweet Potatoes vs. Salo

Sweet Potatoes strong in the 3rd and 4th, but Salo's strong innings in the 3rd and 4th proved to be much for the Yams who lost.

A 4-run 3rd was key to Louie's 2-run triple and a double. Noble which drove in Louie in the 3rd. Christine Gjerdie strong single down the right field line walks loaded the bases, Julie fielder's choice drove in Gjerdie.

Erica Noble, as usual, pitched Sweet Potatoes. Hurling in the 5th, she recorded 2 strikeouts, backed by shortstop Erica accounted for a putout.

But Salo had done the damage in the bottom of the 4th and strong Salo silenced Sweet Potato hitters at bat to preserve the lead.

Favored Sox lead Albany Little League's first half

The White Sox, preseason favorites in the Major League Division of the Albany Little League, emerged from the season's first half with a 10-0 record. They were challenged by the Pirates who finished at 8-2. The teams met May 3 to decide the first half winner.

Albert Kao started for the Sox and hurled a no-hitter for 4 innings. In the 3rd, Kao helped his own cause by hitting a 3-run homerun. The Pirates battled back but the Sox prevailed, 9-2.

During the first half, the Sox were led by Jason Moore, David Collister and Kao. Collister belted 4 home runs while Moore had a .690 batting average.

Defensively, the Sox got great work from Andrew Marshall and Brian Hickman behind the plate, Sam Shonkoff at 2nd and Joey Seltzer.

The Pirates received key offensive support from Jonah Schrogin and James Assia, who blasted 3 home runs.

The Pirates' defense was anchored by Ryan Nelson, John Hansen and Ty Griffin. Drew Barrows also emerged as a steady outfielder. The spirit of the team is symbolized by the base running of Andrew Ward.

The Cardinals (4-6) got off to a shaky start then began to turn their season around in Game 4. The defending champions feature a strong, balanced pitching corps of David Klein and Brett Cohen, Cole

Stipovich and Powell DeGange.

The team's leading hitters include shortstop Sam Martinussen, Klein, Cohen and center fielder Andre Sternberg.

The Giants (3-7) had an up and down first half. Hitting standouts include Matthew Ball and Alex Sinclair. The Giants got effective pitching from Quincy Moore, Carter Armstrong and Sam Himmelstein. The heart of the team's defense was catcher Sean Ayers, Ball and the infield play of J.P. Koehn. The Giants had to draft a player from AAA and Mark Piasente made a contribution to the Major League team.

The Braves' (3-7) highlights reel would feature the hitting of Chris Alfert and Misha Mintz-Roth. Dylan Royson also did a great

job of scoring runs. Pitching duties were handled by Alfert, Ian Williams and Owen Olson. The Braves got great efforts from catchers Adam Stern and Reese Bullen.

The Athletics' (2-8) hitting was provided by Antonio Muscardin and David Kao. In one game, the pair hit 2-out, 2-run home runs in the same inning. The team's most effective pitchers included Tom Carman, Adam Breckler and Ian Saulsbury.

Carman and Tamir Elterman turned in solid defensive performances in the infield while Noam Kopman and Daniel Kim did a great job handling the catching.

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Kayaking off Berkeley ...

by Elaine Merrill

Sea kayaking is more than just a way to get from one end of the Bering Strait to the other. Witness what went on a couple of Sundays back off the Berkeley Marina: 20 people wearing wetsuits left the dock in sea kayaks shortly after dawn and paddled to a rendezvous which featured a gourmet breakfast on a sand bar that rarely appears above the chilly waters of San Francisco Bay.

The kayakers were on the Ashby Shoal Breakfast Paddle, a Cal Adventures excursion that turns a rare extremely low tide, into a celebration.

Cal Adventures, a program operating out of UC Berkeley's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics and Recreational Sports, sponsored the trip.

That Sunday affair was one of many kayaking trips which range in difficulty from novice to expert, and in locale from protected waters near Berkeley to the wilds of Tomales Bay.

The trip began shortly before 7 a.m. as kayakers began to check in at the UC Aquatic Center at the Berkeley Marina. There was a breeze out of the southwest and the sky was clear. Arriving paddlers donned full-length wetsuits from a rainbow colors hung there like theater costumes waiting for actors to claim them so the show could begin.

Next, boaters were given waterproof jackets that also came in a range of Easter-egg colors. Splash skirts, which hang from the shoulders on straps and slap around the legs like oversized tutus, completed the apparel.

Gulls wheeled overhead, finches chirped in the bush and red-winged blackbirds warbled just out of sight in the trees where the Berkeley landfill used to be.

Tim Bean, the center's manager, who was supposed to have a rare day off, appeared at the dock before most of the action even began.

Trip leader Peter Khouri, 27, distinctive with his black curls and red wet

Kayakers on the Ashby Shoal sandbar which only rises above the Bay in extremely low tide.



Sabrina Harrison

suit, bustled about helping kayakers get ready.

Cale Siler, an instructor, gave a covert yawn as he handed out faded yellow lifejackets.

"Yesterday was my birthday and we celebrated by going river rafting on the American Fork," explained Siler. Tom O'Brien, who discovered sea

kayaking only a year ago and admits he immediately became "intensely involved," completed the staff.

After a brief review of how to make a wet exit—which can become necessary if a craft is upside down and the pilot is scrambling to get out—Siler herded everyone to their boats and the paddle began.

The kayaks, bright blues, greens, purples and yellows, painted a picture on the calm water as they spread out and headed south for a vigorous trip that would take 25 minutes.

Kayaking is a swift and silent sport, with each person traveling solo under his or her own power, propelling a 19-foot boat with a long, double-ended paddle that slashes back and forth like a silver seesaw.

The morning's destination was Ashby Shoal, an island that is really a sand bar and most of the time is covered by anywhere from 2-6 feet of water. When the group arrived, black sand was exposed to the air, mounded and ribbed like the partly submerged skeleton of some ancient whale. The shoal stretched more than 400 feet from end to end, and some 150 feet across.

As people pulled their boats ashore, they saw Khouri, who with three camp stoves, had preceded them. He was soon joined by Siler and O'Brien, and the trio quickly produced an amazing meal. On the menu were banana pancakes; whole grain French toast; omelettes with sautéed peppers, mushrooms and a melted Sonoma Jack cheese topping; granola and yogurt; bagels

with cream cheese and apricot preserves; and fresh strawberries.

At the shoal's south end were clumps of sea grass, where Roger Hooson, a planner for Caltrans, saw what appeared to be fish eggs nestled among the brown and green strands. Gulls and egrets pecked at the sand, and streams of bubbles rose from several tiny craters where buried bivalves retreated from becoming breakfast for the hungry birds.

Through the Golden Gate, puffs of fog hung low but did not advance. The only noise was the lapping of the rising tide and the happy buzz of boaters anticipating breakfast. Morning light gilded the Bay Bridge to the south, Angel Island and Alcatraz to the west, the Berkeley Marina to the north and, on the east, Berkeley clustered sleepily at the base of the Campanile.

Diners came back to the campstoves, sat on the sand and demolished the feast. The water was rising. All traces of the meal were cleared away, and as the shoal waned to some 30 feet across and puddled into three separate islands, the kayakers pulled out, their pilots perhaps a little heavier and slower than when they came.

AUTO SALES AND SERVICES

A Feature of the Advertising Department

Out of Gas...



by Karen Senzig

The following is part 3 in a 4-part series on marketing concepts of selected East Bay dealers.

What is it that allows a dealership to not only survive for over 35 years under the same owner, but become the number one

Volvo franchise in the Northwest district? Continental Volvo of Oakland has one of those big banners (in probably the most comfortable waiting area I've ever seen or sat in) stating "Where the people make the difference."

I glanced around and watched a child happily scribbling away at this easel set up for just that purpose, another watching a children's video on the big screen TV and I was tempted to tackle the wire sculpture toy in the corner (I can see why kids don't want to leave when their folks have finished their business) when I noticed a wall plastered with letters from satisfied customers.

What surprised me the most were that many were from parts far away:

"Even though your dealership is located across the bay, it is well worth the trip to deal with such a professional and service oriented company," Mark and Andrea Lynn, The Peninsula, 6/94.

"Clearly, Continental Volvo treats it's cus-

tomers like family, not just before and during the purchase of a Volvo, but also afterwards."—Kelvin Louie, San Francisco, 10/95.

"Even though we live in Santa Rosa, on my next car purchase, we will certainly go the extra mile (miles) to Continental Volvo for our first choice for car and dealership."—Remo C. Cuniberti 12/93.

There were many, many others from San Jose, Sacramento, Davis, Novato, Los Gatos and more but my favorite was recently from Emeryville Sybase executive John P. Bruno, 2/96 "... I had specific terms and conditions that needed to be met with this transaction and three other dealers said that it would be impossible to satisfy those terms ... it is a testament to your dedication to customer satisfaction that I am proud to be a repeat customer."

These testimonials reinforce the conversation I had with General Sales Manager George Neri. He told me how owner

Achim Ehrhardt started there as a mechanic over 35 years ago, buying the business a few years later and about how he built the business with the concept that the sale wasn't completed when the new car drove off the showroom floor and that the relationship was in for the long term.

A little over 5 years ago, George came to Continental Volvo as a salesman, whose philosophy was based on "respect for the customer must come from the heart." This mild mannered Asian American of Chinese ancestry seemed to instill a confidence that put me at ease immediately. It is obvious to me that with Mr. Ehrhardt's commitment to service and George's respect for the integrity of the customer they became a healthy team, and why after a year, George was promoted to General Sales Manager.

"We will change our philosophy," George figured that he needed five good

salespeople on his team who believed as he did but although he was consistently the top salesperson, the rest of the sale team were too afraid of losing the sale and believed in pressuring the prospective client to buy today. George believed given the right service and respect that the client may need a little time to "think it over" and like something out of an Arnold Schwarzenegger movie, that "they'll be back," and most often than not, they were.

George finally decided to hire his son. Ephraim was just out of college and had no bad habits. He is consistently the top salesperson and a lot of those testimonials letters were addressed to him.

After the experiment with Ephraim, George brought in his other son Glen. He has his share of letters on the wall as well. Then George recruited his other salesman, often top salespeople at other dealerships usually by posing as a prospective buyer to see how they would treat their clients. He has put together what he feels is the finest sales team in the industry. The numbers prove him out, not only are they 1st in Sales and Customer Satisfaction in the Northwest Division, but also 9th in the entire country.

I asked George what his most unusual request has been. He once had a too-tall

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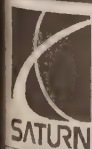


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■ Martin Snapp

The Best Man: Hi. I'm back. Sorry about that unscheduled absence last week, but I had to fly to Washington, D.C., where my best friend and college roommate, Frank Kramer, was sworn in as Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

I'm thrilled for Frank, of course, but I'm thrilled for the country, too. You see, I know how good he is, and I know that we have somebody with his qualities in such an important job.

Besides, he's a big improvement over the last person I knew in the Pentagon: Will Taft, who was a Undersecretary of Defense in the Bush administration.

I went to college with him, too. But unlike Frank, who was always level-headed, my sole memory of Will is how he'd spend every weekend passed out flat on his back on the bathroom floor, his legs straddling the commode, his hands folded peacefully on his chest, and a smile of pure intoxicated bliss on his lips.

Not exactly the guy whose finger you'd want on the nuclear button, huh?

I could go on and on about what a great guy Frank is and how lucky the country is to have him, but I won't because Frank made me promise not to. ("Wait until I do something worth writing about," he said.)

So instead, I thought I'd tell you about some of the sights I saw while I was in our nation's capital.

The Pentagon: This building is made of five concentric rings. In the center is a courtyard with few benches and a greasy spoon hamburger stand.

During the Cold War, the Russkies had at least a dozen nuclear missiles targeted on the Pentagon. So the burger stand is named... The Ground Zero Cafe.

Who says the military don't have a sense of humor?

The Washington Monument: When it was first opened in 1888 the elevator that carried people to the top was deemed too dangerous, so only men were permitted to use it. Women and children had to trek all 897 steps to the top and down again.

Moreover, the male passengers were served cheese, wine and beer during the elevator ride. The women and children, huffing and puffing their way up the stairs, got nothing.

The Jefferson Memorial: A controversy broke out when it was proposed in 1938, because the site was already occupied by a grove of cherry trees.

When the ground was broken, a group of Washington's most eminent dowagers tried to stop the trees' removal by chaining themselves to the trunks.

The Secretary of the Interior responded by sending a messenger to convey his compliments to the ladies, along with a tray of sandwiches and pots and pots of coffee.

With all that coffee, they eventually had to unchain themselves to go to the bathroom, and the bulldozers moved in, and Jefferson was duly memorialized.

The Capitol: All statues in Washington face the Capitol. And all the main streets intersect under the Rotunda.

The Rotunda was painted 100 years ago by an Italian immigrant named Constantino Brumidi. On the ceiling of the dome is his masterpiece, "The Assumption of George Washington," a monumental fresco showing Washington being welcomed into Heaven by 13 angels, representing the original 13 states.

Of course, Brumidi was a real ladies' man. So he used 13 of the city's best-known ladies of the evening as his models.

But the most moving sight in the Capitol are the hallways just off the Rotunda (yes, the corridors of power). The walls and ceiling — also painted by Brumidi and his successors — are covered with portraits of our greatest heroes and scenes of their greatest deeds. The most recent one is a group portrait of the Challenger astronauts.

And here's what really gives me the shivers: Some spaces have been deliberately left bare. They're being reserved for heroes yet unborn and great deeds yet to be done.

The Cogswell Temperance Fountain: One of Washington's least-known monuments (as well as one of its ugliest), it's topped by a statue of a watercress, meant to demonstrate the superiority of water over alcohol.

At one time, the fountain dispensed iced water to weary tourists, but the city government ran out of money.

The Temperance Fountain was built by a teetotaling San Francisco dentist named Henry Cogswell, who hoped it would convince the residents the nation's capital to give up their wicked ways. (Needless to say, it didn't. Less than 100 feet away is the city's biggest liquor store.)

But a Cogswell Society meets regularly to keep alive the good doctor's name, if not his vision.

The chairman of the group — known as the "lead Heron" — opens each meeting by standing on one leg, hoisting his wine glass, and offering this toast: "To temperance."

And the members, also standing on one foot, shout in reply, "I'll drink to that!"

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Emporium

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Plaza that includes a big part of Richmond and (has then) concluded that this is not a high-end retail area."

Kosel said Penske has taken a different approach, looking at the "void in Berkeley, the void in Albany..." and the potential market to be found among residents of El Cerrito, Kensington, and other local residents looking for quality goods.

"I think you're going to see some high-end retailers going in there," Kosel said. "I think we're going to land on our feet and be in better shape than we were with the Emporium."

Raycraft said his own discussions with Penske have indicated the same interest in high-end retail for the Plaza; he declared himself "guardedly optimistic."

Garden

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growing every year."

Members of the El Cerrito Garden Club have always been active in community beautification efforts; they have been enthusiastic about the opportunity to encourage other residents and business owners in their gardening activities.

The garden at 441 Ashbury took first place in the contest. Pizzaglia was awarded \$100 by Garden Club representative Julie Rogers, who described all the winning gardens as "fabulous, and quite diverse."

As for the Ashbury garden, she said, "This garden blends well with the Cape Cod-style house, from the white rail fence with rhododendrons and roses, to the camellias, candytuft and velvety lawn. The judges liked the beautiful choice of plants and the perfect maintenance of the garden."

There were two awards for second place. The garden at 917 Avis "exhibits horticultural excellence" from the judges' viewpoint. It contains a great variety of plant specimens and "a marvelous color scheme." The judges were impressed with the blending of plants and rocks in the garden and see the whole as a sophisticated example of a water-conserving plant garden.

Jana Olson-Drobinsky won \$50 for her efforts.

Yosh and Lillian Inouye also received \$50 for their garden at 1216 Cabrillo, one that "represents Japanese style gardening at its best," according to the judges. The small and elegant garden is "beautifully maintained," with garden details extended to the architectural details on the house and "exquisite attention

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paid to detail."

Third place winners were 131 San Carlos Avenue (a "charming, cottage style garden," in which the gardener has made creative use of a small space to provide both a family play area and a beautiful garden for public view), 521 Bonnie Drive (a shady garden offering "exceptionally attractive design, featuring curving flower borders around mounded lawns"), 6738 Glen Mawr (an original use of a difficult space, "fresh as a Swiss mountain top"), and 8780 Terrace (an "immaculately groomed formal garden" containing "excellent structural elements").

Three gardens tied for fourth place: 7238 Cutting Boulevard (an "interesting and nicely chosen variety of plants" blending well with the house and accompanied by a colorful, drought-tolerant border), 2305 Mono (a colorful cottage garden "peeking through the charming picket fence" — a creative use of an atypical lot), and 6443 Conlon (a "seemingly simple garden" that works in harmony with the house to create a pleasing aesthetic balance).

Third place winners received \$50 gift certificates from local nurseries; fourth place winners received \$25 certificates.

Gift certificates were donated by Lemuria, East Bay Nursery, Adachi's, Westbrae Nursery, Berkeley Horticultural, Magic Gardens and Orchard Supply Hardware.

Homes at 7210 View, 1204 Cabrillo, 7471 Seaview Place, 7215 and 7211 Stockton received honorable mentions for their gardens. Rogers said "the entire street" in the 1200 block of Cabrillo was awarded an honorable mention by the club and was well worth a visit.

In addition, the El Cerrito Village at Alameda and San Pablo, the Sizzler Restaurant at Potrero and San Pablo, and the Keystone Montessori school at Blake and Elm were pointed out as fine examples of commercial gardens. Rogers encouraged the business community to follow the example of such landscaping efforts.

Such efforts, she said, "are much appreciated."

The public is encouraged to drive by the winning gardens. One criterion for contest winners was that their gardens be viewable by the public from the street. A "driving list" has been compiled by the members of the garden club, with winning homes listed in an order that will preclude backtracking. It is available at the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce.

There were more than 65 entries in the contest, making for some difficult choices for the garden club judges. Club members' gardens were not eligible.

The El Cerrito Garden Club is a service organization, started by a group of women who lived on Seaview Avenue in the 1950s and originally called themselves the Seaview Spaders. It was after joining the state association of garden clubs that the name of the group changed. The group now has 122 members.

The ECGC holds monthly educational meetings at the El Cerrito Community Center and is active in a number of community service projects, including maintenance of the Memorial Grove, landscaping at the Contra Costa Civic Theatre and plantings along Moeser Lane.

Kay Riddell is the current club president. She welcomes new members to join.

Trail

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which will run along the waterfront from Gilman Street into Emeryville, will also be completed by the end of this year in conjunction with the Caltrans I-80 widening project. A portion of the trail through Richmond was completed last year. Caltrans will build the remainder of the trail through Albany at some point in late 1998 after completing the I-80/I-580 widening project.

Also, if the Golden Gate Fields cardroom lawsuit is decided in Albany's favor, the trail will connect with a Ladbroke-funded trail along the waterfront from Albany Beach to Gilman Street.

As a whole, the Bay Trail will take many, many years to complete according to Brian Weiss, ABAG's coordinator for the project. Weiss said his agency eventually hopes to see a trail that will run across all seven bridges in the Bay Area, including a portion around Treasure Island and through other closed military bases.

In addition to being a building block for the greater Bay Trail project, approval of Albany's portion of the trail is also a key element in the development of the Eastshore State Park.

The park, which was proposed in the early 1980s, will stretch north from the Bay Bridge into Richmond. Although originally envisioned as including marinas and other highly developed facilities, plans now provide for a more passive, nature-oriented park.

In Albany, the park will encompass the bulb and plateau areas north of Golden Gate Fields. The next step toward opening the bulb for public use involves rescinding a cap and seal order requested by the city in 1985.

The order, which was issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, calls for a containment wall to be built around the bulb and for the land itself to be covered with a four-foot-thick layer of clay. After hiring a consult-

Gateway

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action of the parking structure was a particular hindrance for some; one group called it "a major barrier to what's happening at BART and at the Community Center."

Use of Cerrito Creek was mentioned by most groups in their reports. Though a small creekside park had been part of the presented plan, participants generally wanted more use of the creek, some for creek-facing cafe/restaurant dining, some for smaller food kiosks, some for an "expanded transition" to San Pablo Avenue. The idea for most was to make it more central to the design of the Plaza, rather than using it as a pleasant

Highway

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not going to get anyone from the Arlington down to the BART station, with the new AC transit cuts..."

Those kinds of solutions, she believes, have more direct relevance to what El Cerrito and the rest of West County needs.

WCTACC will, in fact, have to prove the relevance or "nexus" between fees collected by the West County cities and the county with the Highway 4 improvement project. A nexus study will soon be underway to demonstrate that connection.

"Legally, you have to find a nexus," said Kosel. "In my mind, there is no nexus between ... tax dollars in El Cerrito and Highway 4 improvements."

"If we want to solve the traffic problem, we need to encourage the use of mass transit," she said later. "I would put 100 percent of (the fund) toward mass transit."

As it is, only about 15 percent is expected to be designated for a transit project to be chosen by WCTACC. The committee has issued a call for project proposals; the deadline is May 28.

Measure C funds (\$4.5 million) are already available to the city for a parking structure that was proposed to be built on the BART parking lot as a component of the Plaza

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bridges, giant bull nostrils (for a lovely rendition of Herb Alpert's "The Lonely Bull") and various air horns and carbon dioxide fire extinguishers. The next summer I enrolled in summer school and learned how to play baritone horn. I was not very good; in fact, I was probably terrible, but Mr. Nelson was quite indulgent with me.

In 1967, Mr. Nelson left ECHS to take a position at Cal State-Hayward and Richard Emmons took over at the helm. Mr. Emmons brought new traditions to the ECHS music program. He was an accomplished organist, so the orchestra had the opportunity to accompany him during an organ concerto. Mr. Emmons also revived the tradition of the high school musical at ECHS.

During my senior year, I had the opportunity to sit in the pit (the colloquial name for the accompanying music ensemble) for the ECHS production of Rogers and Hammerstein's *Carousel*. This tradition of involving the drama department, choir, dance department and instrumental music departments continued until 1991, when WCCUSD was forced to lay off all but one of the performing arts department teachers.

Mr. Emmons handed over the baton to Terry Clark in the late 1970's. Terry Clark brought the very necessary fundraising enthusiasm to ECHS at a time when Proposition 13 was taking gigantic bites out of the music budget. Play-alongs were invoked to raise much-needed cash for uniforms, new sheet music, and instrument repairs. As the district budgets waned and elementary general music programs were being slashed, Terry Clark fought to keep the ECHS music program alive and thriving.

In 1987, Paul Yonemura took the podium "Mr. Y," or "Muddy" as the students called him, was a professional jazz drummer who brought life to the sparsely budgeted program. My eldest daughter was very lucky to be a music student at ECHS during this time. She played in every group with the exception of the Jazz Ensemble. When the magnet program was started at ECHS and the budget suddenly swelled with grant money, Sharon Calonic took over the direction of the orchestra.

In 1991 the Jazz Ensemble traveled to the Monterey Jazz Festival and took first place. Such a bittersweet victory, for Mr. Y had also received his pink slip and the district was in deep financial straits.

New teachers have since come and gone and now "Mr. B" is here at ECHS. The program is growing again.

I have very strong regard for instrumental music programs in public schools. There are so many lessons to be learned from an ensemble program that just can't be taught in a standard classroom. Learning to play together as one sound is such an important concept that can be easily transcribed into team building — theories endorsed by corporate management in the adult world. As my good friend, Contra Costa Civic Theatre director, Kathleen Ray, says, "There are no small parts, only small actors." Well, there are no small parts, only small musicians.

ant to transform a literal mound of data on the report to help overturn the order, the city will the bulb at no charge to the East Bay Regional District in exchange for \$2 million in improvements.

The EBRPD is also in the process of approval by Catellus Corp. from Emeryville to include the plateau and neck areas leading to the bulb. The agency, which has already purchased million worth of land for the park, has \$35 million in two 1988 bond measures to buy the remainder needed for the project. According to Martin Snapp, the agency's advanced planning manager, the appraisal will be negotiating a purchase with Catellus, with any leftover money being used for the park.

Most involved in the two projects saw the Albany portion of the trail as a victory in a complicated process necessary to make the park and the Eastshore State Park a reality. Speakers at the meeting were Vitz, Stana Hearn, executive director of Eastshore State Park, council member Rubin, and various members of the Waterfunding Committee, which has worked out many of the details of the project.

Many involved on the regional level praised the pro-active approach to the trail, citing the problems which had to be worked out in order for the project to reach fruition. The council had approved the project by June 15 in order to avoid losing a Coastal Conservancy grant which will fund the project most now go before the San Francisco Conservation and Development Commission for approval, although most involved expect this to be a mere formality.

"add-on," as one group put it.

Among other suggestions was the possibility of large stores might be moved to bring more stores away from the perimeter into the center to draw in pedestrian traffic.

Groups were also asked to define some qualities they'd like to see in a developer for One of the top priorities for all groups was that the developer be willing and able (with a track record) to work with the community in the project that truly reflects the community's needs. "Lots of money" was another high priority. Many wanted to see a good project ending up badly.

Urban Village project. Workshops held at the South Gateway Development Area community center process has led to some discussion of building a structure at El Cerrito Plaza.

Should the structure be built at the northeast corner of the Plaza, currently the site of the R&F gas station, access to the southern end of the overpass would form could be achieved. Measure C funds would cover that portion of the project, not would they be acquisition.

STMF funds would cover those expenses. Whether the idea to build a parking structure at the Plaza moves forward has not been decided.

In the meantime, Kosel, a longtime member of WCTACC, intends to keep working to get more allocated toward transit projects in the county.

From Kosel's viewpoint, the allocation of a share of the funding to highway improvements is more than to projects like the one being proposed for Cerrito BART station or to support for a driving system, is not yet "a done deal."

"We've gutted out transit system," she said. "concrete, to build more and more soundwalls to make sense. I'd put 100 percent of that fee into

Musicians who learn and grow through music programs grow up to become productive, creative whatever occupation is chosen. We must keep programs in our schools, if only to ensure that our children continue to flourish. We all can be soloists, we all can be million-dollar sellers, but we all can contribute.

Music Program bounces back with

By Glen Price

Dan Buegeleisen, El Cerrito High School's music teacher, loves music and teaching music to young people.

Buegeleisen backs his passion for music with experience and academic training. His instrument is the trumpet, with which he received his bachelor's in music at San Francisco State University, where he received a master's degree in music composition. He has worked as a free-lance trumpeter and spent two years "on the road" with the Pickle Family Band and has also played in numerous salsa bands, classical concert bands. Buegeleisen continues to play and is currently working on plans for his own project.

Now in his fourth year at ECHS, Buegeleisen's music program is really beginning to take off. Currently four parts to the program: marching band, symphonic band, and a jazz ensemble. He wants everyone to come and see the students in action. On May 23, in the El Cerrito High School cafeteria, admission price is \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. Proceeds benefiting ECHS music activities. Buegeleisen promises the concert will be "well worth it for all who like music."

He notes that the symphonic band has won festivals throughout the state and that the jazz band is one of the finest in Northern California, winning first at the Redwood Empire Jazz Festival and a Performance at the Santa Cruz High School Jazz Festival.

Asked about the challenges he faces with the program, Buegeleisen takes a moment to respond. He says getting everybody to work together, tremendously talented and motivated students, is a challenge. He says he has to recognize the varied talents we have and work with each other.

Another impending challenge is El Cerrito High's implementation of block scheduling, scheduled for next year. Buegeleisen was initially opposed to the change. Now, he sees a number of advantages for the music program with block scheduling. For example, "the music will now have a regular time to practice music, to rehearse at lunch time." He also believes that the symphonic band to "A" period (7:30 a.m.) will relate to kids more on an individual level.

All in all, Buegeleisen sees a bright future for the program.

Thinking of kids when moving often difficult

Number 145 in a series of true experiences in real estate.

Recently I was talking to a mother on the phone who wants to buy a larger house. In the background I could hear one of her children. "I'm not moving," she said with some feeling. "I'm staying here."

Another mother sighed as she told us what happened when she took her six-year-old to see the wonderful house she was going to buy.

Excited about showing it off, especially the playhouse in the back yard, she couldn't believe her daughter's reaction: "This is a dumb house. Let's go home." And the playhouse? "It's not big enough," said the little girl.

We heard about a two-year-old who said, in the midst of moving into a new house, "OK, Mommy, this is your house. I want to go back to my house."

Kids like things they way they see them, seldom do they understand their parents' motives. Usually the parents are moving because, "It'll be better for the kids."

They stretch time and money to

get better schools, a bedroom for everyone, a yard.

"Look, Jeannie," they say, "you'll have your own bedroom and a swing in the back yard, too."

Jeannie answers, "I don't care. I like our old house."

A couple of years ago we helped a single mom sell her charming old house in Oakland and buy a smaller, less appealing house (but one that needed far less work) in Albany.

Her boys, ages about five and nine at the time, weren't happy about the anticipated move. The older boy's best friend lived a couple of doors away and they were devastated at the thought of being separated.

Our client, overwhelmed with all that is involved in getting a house ready for sale, packing and looking for a new house while continuing to work and parent, still managed to find the time to search for a rental in Albany for her son's friend and his mother.

She knew how valuable her son's friendship was and she knew how much easier it would be for him to weather the change with his friend



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still close.

We liked and respected this woman very much. She set her goals, then did what had to be done to accomplish them, and she helped her children through the transition in every way she could.

My own children were six and seven years old when we bought our house. A few weeks before the move I wrote in my journal that Nick, my oldest, "is particularly pleased about moving."

He talked about having his own room with his things in it, wanted to know what color his walls would be painted and asked if he could have bunk beds so friends could stay overnight.

When my daughter Annie said she'd be scared sleeping in her new room alone, Nick told her not to worry because "you'll be halfway between my room and mom and

'Everything went well the first night (In our new house), each child tucked into his own bed. It lasted about half an hour.'

dad's. Besides, you'll have two bathrooms to choose from."

Everything went well the first night, each child tucked into his own bed. It lasted about half an hour. Then Nick asked Annie if she'd sleep in his room. She hurried in.

For months after that there were few nights when any of us had uninterrupted sleep. One of the kids would wake us up saying "I can't sleep alone." We cajoled, threatened and offered sympathy but it went on.

I wrote down one pre-bedtime plea: "If I get scared out of my daylight, really scared in the night and I get up and hear the cats under the house and it's really an emergency, can I sleep on your bedroom floor?"

Because I will do almost anything for sleep in the middle of the night, there were a number of times that both kids slept by my bedside.

During this period we were remodeling the house and had stored

light fixtures and other breakables in our bedroom for safe keeping.

The kids would patter down the hall dragging bed clothes, then push things aside before making their nests.

Having the house torn up was unsettling but maybe more so for the kids. One day Nick asked me if we were going to destroy the rest of the house. I laughed just a little laugh and asked if he thought that's what we were doing.

"Yeah," he said, "the front porch is already gone and you've wrecked the kitchen. I guess the bedrooms are next."

One morning Nick got up, very full of a nightmare that he'd had. The details were long, full of blood and gore and Annie and I squirmed but listened until the end.

He finished the story with: "Then I got to go home." There was a tiny pause before Annie added brightly, "Well, a happy ending."

An occasional nightmare was not the only sign of stress in my chil-

dren as we remodeled and they started a new school. But was the stress from moving? Some of what was true for each of them had to be a simple reflection of who they are.

People are different and they react in different ways. Probably there are children, maybe grownups too, who breeze through these things.

But for most of us, change is harder and it begins with making decisions. Like all parents we wonder all of the time if we are doing the best thing, and this included moving.

We asked ourselves if we should double our monthly house payments, take on a project that we could not afford to complete. We wondered if the benefits would outweigh the costs.

We certainly hoped they would and I believed that they did. But even now—almost five years later—the kids sometimes say they'd like to go back to the old house.

Annie grouses, for instance, that we bought a house without an upstairs. When she buys a house, she says, it's going to have two stories—like houses should.

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French doors link the dining room and the new trellised deck in a Patricia Motzkin design executed by Rick and Fran Crowder.

Local architect responds to challenge with imagination

By Aidan Harty

Sometimes, talented designers can craft imaginative answers to requests both ordinary and unusual. Such was the case when architect Patricia Motzkin, AIA, was asked to create a multilevel deck addition to a house.

An Oakland resident, Motzkin is a licensed architect with 14 years experience in commercial and residential architecture. Widely recognized for the high quality of her work, she is the recipient of two AIA design awards.

The addition was intended to provide not only outdoor living space but also a means of access to the backyard (located one story below the living area.) Her clients also requested a hot tub be placed in the yard.

The original idea was to attach a wooden structure to the house to meet these needs. The exterior of the house was stucco, and Motzkin, who established Patricia Motzkin Architecture in 1990, felt that, in order for the addition to harmonize with the rest of the building, it needed to be in stucco as well.

The design evolved and became more elaborate when Motzkin's clients requested a hot tub pavilion for the patio. The final project also in-

cluded new French doors to link the dining room and a new, trellised dining deck.

An artist's studio was constructed directly beneath the deck. Stairs joined the deck with the patio below, on which was placed the hot tub and fountain.

From the elevated patio a series of flagstone steps gracefully united the house and garden. "This feature," Motzkin said, "was inspired by historic garden geometries and the owner's notion of creating his own 'mini Spanish steps'."

To further enhance the romantic atmosphere the patio was given a water fountain and night lighting. Finally, a new bay window was constructed to capture the view of the Golden Gate.

Perhaps the most distinctive and original feature of the extension was the design of the hot tub pavilion. "My clients travel extensively and like the private bath houses they had experienced in Japan," Motzkin explained. The resulting bathhouse, small and unobtrusive, looks like a cross between a cabana and a Japanese temple.

The pavilion serves a dual function. It can screen off the hot tub, creating a private bath house. It can also, with an adjustment of the shutters, be changed into a garden pavilion. This transformation is achieved by using rigging hardware borrowed from sailing.

'The completed project had all the elements of a successful design and answered both functional and aesthetic.'

To closely mimic the bathing experience, the house had a pre-bathing shower. Some creative improvisation of a cafeteria dish-rinsing double for the type of shower favored by the Japanese.

In the designers' words, materials, craftsmanship, chined equipment celebrated the experience.

The project, completed in 1995, was a year construction veteran Fran Crowder of Crowder Construction, has all the elements of a successful creative design. It was made of talented designers to answer both functional and aesthetic. Importantly, her clients saw come in enjoyable and ways.

Aidan Harty is a freelance writer who lives in Oakland. He can be reached at 339-4047.

Gear up for July Build-A-Thon

East Bay Habitat for Humanity will once again be staging its July Build-A-Thon. Habitat hopes to have 1,000 volunteers frame five houses over the five days of July 5 to July 9. To help this go smoothly, 100 of these volunteers must be skilled carpenters.

This year's building will take place at Habitat's 105th Avenue construction site in Oakland. Construction managers Paul Farrell and Roger Rushing will organize and lead the volunteer crews.

In order to finance this effort,

Habitat hopes to raise \$100,000 in donations from Bay Area corporations, schools and churches.

Registration for this event is \$25, which will cover the cost of breakfast and lunch for each of the five days of the Build-A-Thon and a Build-A-Thon T-shirt.

Habitat hopes to find volunteers to donate the items necessary to make the day a success: food, merchandise and promotional services.

To find out how you can get involved, call East Bay Habitat for Humanity at 251-6304.

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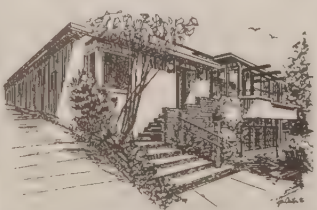
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Appraiser addresses often-asked questions

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of the home.

This can happen when the sale was not an 'open market transaction'. For instance, if the sellers are selling their home to a relative, or to a friend, or if the home was never exposed for sale on the open market.

Also, if a buyer and seller simply agreed on a sales price without advertising the home or without listing it with a real estate broker, it is not an 'open market transaction'.

Further, a portfolio lender, or a lender who keeps the loan, needs the appraisal to represent the security for the mortgage loan. Other lenders sell the loan to investors.

The appraisal makes this possible by providing information to the investors regarding its potential to meet investment needs.

3. What type of appraisal method do you commonly use for residential property?

"When appraising a home, the market approach is the appraisal method most often used. The market approach, or sales comparison approach, relies on recent sales of similar properties to indicate a value for the property which is being appraised.

The appraiser locates homes which are the most similar properties to indicate a value for the property which is being appraised. The appraiser locates homes which are the most similar in location, size, appeal and several other factors.

Homes which have recently sold and appear to be the most similar to the subject (the home being appraised) are researched and then if determined to be suitable, are compared against the subject."

4. What happens if the house is appraised for less than the sales price?

"The deal can fall through at that point, or the buyer and seller can negotiate a new sales price. Sometimes the buyer can work with the lender by increasing the down payment.

Perhaps the Realtor or broker can provide additional comparables which the appraiser can review to determine if these sales will provide strong support for the sales price.

This step is best done when the

appraiser and the realtor meet for the appraisal inspection."

5. What if the house is appraised for more than the sales price?

"Well, great for the buyers! They just got a good deal. This is likely to happen only in a case which is defined as a nonmarket sales transaction as when parents sell their home to their children.

In this case, the appraiser would be able to explain an appraised value of more than the sales price. Without a strong explanation, it is not likely that a home would appraise for more than the sales price."

6. What types of amenities usually raise the value of the home?

"Amenities which the market determines are valuable. The market in the hill areas places great value on a bay view, and The Alameda Island market places a lot of value on lagoon locations.

Large sites with good utility are given additional value in hilly areas. Proximity to freeway access or to a Peet's Coffee spot may raise the value. Some areas seem to desire more bedrooms and size than other areas.

Updated kitchens and bathrooms

See TANTAU on page 20

30-year bellwether rate weighs in at 8.24 percent

On May 9 the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) announced that the nationwide average for 30-year fixed rate mortgage rose 25 basis points to 8.24 percent from last week's average of 7.99 percent.

A year ago the 30-year fixed rate was 7.87 percent.

The starting rate for 1-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) rose slightly to 5.80 percent from last week's average of 5.76 percent.

A year ago, the starting rate for the one-year ARM was 6.12 percent.

The average for 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option in the refinancing arena, rose to 7.75 percent, like the 30-year fixed, up 25 basis points from last week's figure of 7.50 percent.

A year ago, the 15-year interest rate was 7.45 percent.

"Long-term rates are now higher than they were this time

last year," said Freddie Mac Chief Economist Robert Van Order.

"This is in response to the stronger economic news, including the higher Gross Domestic Product growth in the first quarter of 1996."

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation chartered by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders.

By supplying lenders with the money to make mortgages and packaging the mortgages into marketable securities.

On April 30, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board pegged the 11th District Cost of Funds Index (COFI) for May payments at 4.874 percent, down from the 4.975 percent that was in effect for April payments.

The COFI is the index widely used by the savings and loan industry for its adjustable rate mortgages; the 4.874 rate will remain in effect through May 31.



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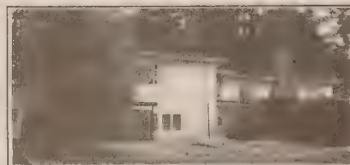
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3BR, 1BA upstairs, split level, FDR, huge fam kit, "plus" rm, separate entry w/own bath, attic'd gar. CHARLENE CLAYBAUGH 444-SOLD

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STUDENT HOUSING\$57,500
Safe, secure building and neighborhood. Bright unit overlooks pool. New paint, carpet, tile and bath plus sauna! Fees include heat, insurance. Walk to shops, movies, park, lake. PATRICIA BENNETT 482-9000

Tantau...

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are often a must in areas of older homes. Often special decorator touches may raise the value or at least cause the home to sell faster.

Swimming pools and spas are examples of amenities which may not raise the value of a home within a cooler climate. Amenities are different for every marketing area.

7. Does street location of a house affect its value such as being on the upslope vs. downslope or being in the middle of the block vs. being on a corner?

"Usually upsloping sites appear to command slightly more value as the home appears to be larger or somehow more appealing, but this is not a hard and fast rule. If the upslope involves an extreme number of stairs to the entry, then perhaps a downsloping site wins.

This, of course, depends on the degree upslope/downslope. Often corner sites afford more light and additional size but, on the other hand, there may be less privacy or utility. There can be no rule here either."

8. Is it customary for the lender to hire an appraiser or can a buyer hire his own?

"If the lender will sell the loan,

then the lender may need the appraiser to be on the approved list of appraisers. If the buyer hires his own appraiser, that appraiser may not be on the 'list' and the lender will not be able to use the appraisal. Lenders prefer objective, knowledgeable appraisers which serves to expedite the process."

9. What is the average charge for an appraisal report?

"The typical single family home appraisal costs between \$300. to \$500. If the home is not typical and likely to require more research, measuring and analysis, then the appraisal fee can exceed these figures.

A million dollar home may cost from \$750. to \$1,500. depending on the amount of time it takes the appraiser to complete the task."

10. Does the buyer have the right to a copy of the appraisal report?

"The party paying for the report has the right to a copy."

Thank you to Barbara Massey for providing this top ten list of invaluable information about the appraisal process. She can be reached at 932-3356.

Gayle Tantau is a Realtor with JT Ward in Berkeley. You can reach her at 845-6021.

Enjoy East Bay gardens with weekend benefit tour

A New Leaf Garden Gallery is presenting a self-guided tour of nine gardens with fountains created by Gallery artists and A New Leaf Landscaping in Berkeley, Oakland, Albany and Walnut Creek.

The May 19 tour from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. benefits several school art programs in the East Bay. Tickets are \$25.

The water features are in a variety of media and styles, exploring the many possibilities of the sight and sound of moving water. In a Berkeley courtyard with a Japanese influence, a curved bronze shell with an elegant patina holds a carefully constructed

tower of dark slate and jewel-like pale green stone. The water gently flows over the stones and into a triangular pond where water plants thrive. (Design by John Denning and Brigitte Micmacker, owners of A New Leaf.)

In a beautiful property in the Oakland firestorm area, water happily trickles over a wall created with sandblasted blocks of quartzite into the upper pond, then rushes under a stone bridge to the lower pond. The surrounding garden is a lush combination of roses, perennials and grasses and a winding stone stairway leads through a colorful healing garden to a na-

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Let there be skylights; the art of letting in light

REMODEL RIGHT



RICHARD MORRISON

After a winter of gray, cloudy days, it's not surprising that spring finds most people thinking about how to bring more light into their homes. One relatively easy way to do so is by installing a skylight or two. The results can be dramatic and wonderful.

Having had a wide variety of skylights installed in my clients' homes over the years, I can pass along some of the useful lessons learned.

1) Use the flat glass type of skylight, rather than the plastic bubble type.

The flat glass style invariably blends into the roof lines far better than the domed bubbles, and is far less susceptible to scratching. On days that start off chilly and warm up, the plastic skylights often produce a disturbing "popping" sound as they expand.

2) By flaring the walls of the skylight wells out to the sides, you can increase the spread of daylight.

Unfortunately, this is not always feasible in all directions due to structural considerations in the roof. For example, you might have a trussed roof system or need to keep important structural members, making it difficult to flare out in one particular direction. Make sure to have your roof system analyzed by a professional before you start hacking away at the roof on your own.

3) Consider incorporating small, unobtrusive built-in mo-

tors to open your skylight.

Most people use long cranks or a long pole to operate their skylights. Motorized models have come down in price so that they should be considered a possibility. You can even get models that will close automatically in the event of rain! Imagine just pushing a button and getting pleasant ventilation when you need it.

4) Don't forget to look into shading options if you're concerned that you may get too much heat from your skylight.

Mini-blinds and roller shades, built-in and motorized, if desired, are excellent for increasing the flexibility of light.

I generally recommend bronze tinted glass also. It makes the skylight look less like a hole in your roof from the outside, and significantly cuts down on heat gain and potential UV damage to your carpet and furniture. The bronze tint is barely noticeable from the inside.

5) Verify that you have the correct mounting system for your house's specific roofing materials and angle of roof slope.

Although another similar system may seem to work just fine, you could end up invalidating the skylight's warranty by using the wrong type.

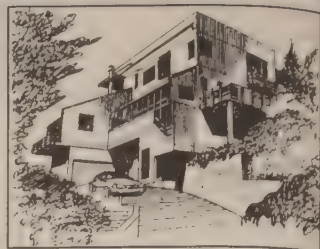
6) The skylight should be dual glazed (two sheets of glass rather than one), with a combination of tempered and laminated glass.

Unless the skylight is plastic, most typical installations need this combination to meet the requirements of the building code.

So, armed with these tips, let the sun shine in!

Richard Morrison, AIA, is a Bay Area architect specializing in residential remodeling and additions. You can call him at (415) 321-3729.

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Darling 3/2 trad. Split level w/high ceilings, beautiful built-ins & private garden. Sunny & private. MARILYN WATSON | \$365,000 |

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| 788 ALVARADO ROAD
Charming Mediterranean with view. Move-in condition. Three bedrooms/two and one-half baths and spacious family room. Nice landscaped grounds. SUSANNE PAUL | NEW EXCLUSIVE \$449,000 | 773 VINCENTE AVE
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SF views. Terraces w/pool & spa. Five bedrooms/five and one-half baths. Separate guest quarters. ANIAN TUNNEY | \$2,495,000 | OUTSTANDING VALUE
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| STYLE & SOPHISTICATION
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California Association of Realtors' President Rick Snyder, front left and the organization's Public Policy Vice-president Leslie Appleton-Young take a moment with (back row, left to right) Judy Myers, Anita Thede, Maxine Jennings and Dorle Gallinat. Snyder and Appleton-Young addressed a luncheon at the Claremont Hotel hosted by the Realtor Associations of Alameda County and the Women's Council of Realtors.

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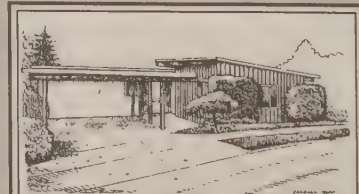
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WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW CAN HURT YOU

Another new contract

Part one of a two-part series

Earlier this year, the California Association of Realtors (CAR) again revised the purchase contract for residential properties with one to four units. Aside from changes in contract format and language, there is another important distinction from previous contract revisions.

In the past, the new version of a contract replaced the older one. This time, the choice of using either the current, eight-page contract or the new, "four-page" contract is at the discretion of the agent. This has already caused some confusion among agents. If agents are confused, we can count on buyers and sellers being confused.

Many clients treat the contract as important, but not something which requires serious study. Although each revision to the purchase contract contains improvements, no contract will be perfect for everyone.

A thorough review of the document will reveal which paragraphs are favorable or unfavorable to you as a seller or buyer. A comparison of the new contract and its predecessor reveals noteworthy changes. In these articles, I will

highlight some points about both contracts that deserve attention.

When four equals seven

The most obvious modification is that the new contract is referred to as the "four-page" contract although it is actually seven pages long. The first two pages have a back side and there is a one-page addendum used for probate sales and other, less common, situations.

A strong word of caution: do not assume the back pages are unimportant. One could easily get that impression because the print is small, tightly packed and there is no place for the buyer or seller to sign or initial. Read everything carefully and ask questions before signing.

Cost clauses on first page

A positive change is that all cost items are now on the first page of the new four-page contract. This is convenient and sensible.

Before agreeing to pay for anything, however, be sure to ask this question: "What should I be paying for?" This really means what is "customary" in the area, but it does not necessarily mean the item or items cannot be negotiated. This is just one reason you need an experienced, knowledgeable professional to look out for your best interests.

Appraisal clause

Most agents have been adding an "Appraisal" clause into the financing section of their eight-page contracts. The new four-page contract now contains this clause.

It makes the offer contingent on the lender appraising the property at no less than the full purchase price. If the lender's appraiser indicates a lower figure, the buyer is allowed to cancel the contract.

Another possibility is to have the seller reduce the purchase price to the appraised value. In some cases, the seller may choose to carry a second loan for the difference between the purchase price and the appraised value.

Besides having both parties agree, this will only work if the buyer's down payment is large enough, normally 20 percent or more. If the buyer's down payment is substantially more than 20 percent of the purchase price, the less-than-full-price appraisal may not effect, i.e. decrease, the loan amount.

Possession clause

An example of the danger of not reading and understanding the back pages of the new four-page contract is the paragraph dealing with tenants and possession. This clause states that if the tenant has not vacated a tenant-occupied property at close of escrow, the buyer has the option to cancel the agreement.

This language is not contained in the eight-page contract, although both contracts say the property shall be vacant at close of escrow unless otherwise agreed in writing.

From the buyer's perspective, he will probably not want to take title to a house he plans to live in if the seller's tenant has not vacated. If he does, he could end up in a long, drawn-out legal hassle to get the tenant out. This can be

both emotionally and financially draining.

From the seller's point of view, it may not seem fair for the buyer to cancel the contract if the tenant is late in moving out. This would be especially true if the seller fulfilled his side by giving the tenant adequate, written notice to vacate.

It is apparent that buyers and sellers may have opposite interests in a rental situation. Clearly, reading and understanding the contract is imperative.

Another disparity between the four and eight-page contracts is that the four-page contract does not address the use of Interim Occupancy Agreements. This covers a situation where the buyer moves in prior to close of escrow, which is very risky for the seller.

The Residential Lease Agreement After Sale, often called the seller rent back agreement, is also not mentioned. Allowing occupancy without using the appropriate form could lead to serious problems later. This could happen if an inexperienced agent was not

prompted by the reminder found in the eight-page contract.

Seller warranty or no warranty?

Pay close attention to this one! Under "Condition of Property," the eight-page contract is divided into A) "Seller Warranty" (if box is checked), or B) "As Is Condition," (if box is checked). If, inadvertently, neither box is checked, the contract would be incomplete until one of the two options was chosen.

The four-page contract says "No Warranties Except As Specified," and indicates that the property is sold "As Is" and "With All Faults." It provides seven boxes where the buyer can specify which items he wants warranted by the seller. For example, box #1 cites that "Roof shall be free of leaks known to seller or discovered during escrow." Other boxes cover appliances, plumbing, fireplaces, etc.

The danger for a buyer is that

his agent could inadvertently get to check any box section. The purchase would be an "As Is" sale. "As Is" course, benefits the seller, but the buyer is interested in the reason for having two contracts with different formats and confusion to clients.

To this point, I have some of the aspects of contracts that require vigilance. In part two, I will offer other possible pitfalls buyers and sellers.

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Sales figures show 1996 off to a healthy start

Closed escrow sales of California detached homes increased during the first quarter from the previous quarterly period and a year ago, the California Association of Realtors (C.A.R.) reported.

"These latest numbers show us that 1996 is off to a healthy start," said C.A.R. President Rick Snyder. "California home sales jumped nearly 24 percent during the first quarter from last year's weather-related slow sales pace," he said.

"We are particularly encouraged that home sales also increased nearly 8 percent during the first three months of 1996, compared with the fourth quarter of 1995."

Among highlights of C.A.R.'s first-quarter housing figures:

- Statewide, 495,670 existing, single-family detached homes closed escrow during the first quarter on a seasonally-adjusted, annualized basis — up 7.6 percent from an annualized rate of 460,550 sales in the fourth quarter of 1995.

• First quarter sales jumped 23.5 percent from the first-quarter 1995 pace, when 401,440 homes were sold on an annualized basis.

"Rising consumer confidence is clearly having a significant impact on California's steadily improving housing market," said Leslie Appleton-Young, C.A.R.'s vice president of economics and public policy. "Consumer confidence in the Pacific region of the United States — an area dominated by California — has increased 18.1

	1st Quarter 1996	1st Quarter 1995
California (sf)	\$174,950	\$175,300
California (condo)	\$138,290	\$138,320

Region

Central Valley	\$105,980	\$109,370
High Desert	\$ 97,090	\$ 95,550
Los Angeles	\$172,110	\$177,070
Monterey	\$231,070	\$224,760
Nor. California	\$133,430	\$134,160
Nor. Wine Country	\$187,240	\$184,840
Orange County	\$207,740	\$206,910
Palm Springs/Lwr. Desert	\$106,870	\$125,650
Riverside/San Bernardino	\$117,090	\$122,580
Sacramento	\$113,920	\$120,630
San Diego	\$173,790	\$172,150
San Francisco Bay	\$252,190	\$244,590
Santa Barbara	\$208,330	\$223,480
Santa Clara	\$259,280	\$245,380
Ventura	\$205,900	\$193,760

Source: California Association of REALTORS®

While the average price of single family home in California fell \$350, that same price rose \$7,600 in the Bay Area.

points, or 23 percent, during the past year," said Appleton-Young.

"This sharp increase in consumer confidence is playing a significant role in the crucial Spring home buying season now underway. Realtors report that traffic at open houses and home buying activity continue

to be brisk throughout the state — a reflection of the elevated consumer spirits and growing California economy," Appleton-Young said.

• Fixed mortgage interest rates averaged 7.29 percent during the first quarter, down from 7.34 percent in the fourth quarter and 8.81 percent in the first quarter of 1995, according to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

• C.A.R.'s Unsold Inventory Index was 10.0 months during the first quarter, up from 9.2 months in the fourth quarter, but down sharply from 12.8 months during first quarter 1995. The index indicates the number of months it would take to deplete the supply of homes on the market at the current rate of sales.

• Sales of existing condominiums declined 1.3 percent during the first quarter on a non-seasonally adjusted basis, compared with the fourth quarter. Condo sales jumped 33.5 percent during the first quarter, compared with the first quarter of 1995.

• During March, 41 percent of California households earned the minimum income needed to qualify to purchase a detached home, up from 37 percent in March 1995. Assuming a 20 percent down payment on a median-priced home, which sold for \$176,150 in March, a household needed a minimum annual income of \$47,320 to qualify

for a home loan. The monthly mortgage payment on that home — including property taxes and insurance — would be \$1,180.

• Fifty-two percent of California households could qualify for a mortgage to purchase a median-priced condominium in March, up from 50 percent in March 1995. Assuming a 20 percent down payment on a \$138,950 median-priced condominium, a household needed a minimum annual income of \$37,330 to qualify for a loan. The monthly mortgage payment on that condominium would be \$930.

C.A.R.'s median price and sales data for detached homes are based on reports from 90 Boards of Realtors around the state. Median condominium price and sales data are based on a survey of 64 Boards. The median price for both detached homes and condominiums is based on closed escrow sales. Sales revisions reflect the reseasonalization of monthly sales data using seasonal factors calculated with the 1979-1995 sales.

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Events

The Events Calendar does not accept for-profit listings. Announcements for these events can be made in our classified section by calling 339-8777. Listings are made on a space available basis.

The Builder's Booksource presents a book signing and slide show for David Easton's new book **The Rammed Earth House: Rediscovering America's Most Ancient Building Material**, 7 p.m., Thurs., May 16, 1817 Fourth St., Berkeley.

Call 845-6874 for more information.

Truitt and White Lumber Co., 624 Hearst Ave., Berkeley presents **Connie Burd of Benjamin Moore Paints with Decorative Paint Finishes**, Sat., May 18, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Discover how easy it is to create a work of art on your walls, floors, countertops and more. Learn step-by-step how to add the latest designer faux finishes. Reservations required. Call 649-2674.

A free **Homebuyer's Workshop** will cover the home buying including the loan and the escrow processes. The workshop will be held Sat., May 18, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Albany Library, Marin and Masonic in Albany. Call 644-5221 for reservations.

The non-profit Building Education Center (BEC), 812 Page St., Berkeley presents **Earthquake Retrofitting and Landscape Design**, Sat., May 18. The two-day workshop **Ceramic Tile: The Hands-On** will be offered Sat., May 18 and

Sun. May 19. **Carpentry Basics for Women: Hands-On** is on the agenda Sun., May 19. For information about weekday classes or to register for classes call 525-7610.

Realtor Marsha Quick of Red Oak Realty and mortgage broker Karen Ward of CMG Mortgage present **Woman to Woman: Finding the Keys to Buying a Home of your Own**, Sat., May 18, 10 a.m. to noon, at 1029 Solano Ave., Albany. Learn how to investigate neighborhoods, set selection priorities and get an overview of the home buying process. Call 718-2134.

The **East Bay Wine & Food Festival** will be held at Dunsuir House, Sat., May 18, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. This fund raiser for the Bentley School, will offer a sampler of fine restaurants and wineries from around the Bay Area and the Napa Valley. Tickets are \$35 by advance reservation. Call 843-4735.

A New Leaf Garden Gallery presents a self-guided tour of nine gardens with fountains created by Gallery artists and A New Leaf Landscaping in Berkeley, Oakland, Albany and Walnut Creek, Sun.,

May 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. will benefit several programs in the East Bay. Tickets are \$25. For more information call 525-0660.

Dunsuir House and its staff honors the non-profit's and supporters on Sun., May 19. The day will feature a tour of the California Theatre Company's mansion and croquet, 1 p.m.; a historic landscape tour of Dinkelspiel, 2 p.m.; tours of Dinkelspiel, 3 p.m.

YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

OAKLAND Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

- 6111 MAZUELA DR, Montclair Estates, new 5+bd, lg garden area The GRUBB Company, Ed Kuo 339-0400 \$939,000
- 6101 MAZUELA DR, Montclair Estates, new 5+bd, media rm, view The GRUBB Company, Ed Kuo 339-0400 \$929,000
- 5963 MANCHESTER, Claremont Pines 5bd/4 1/2ba, views, pool Mason-McDuffie, Mary Hannah 428-0900 \$849,000
- 13096 BROADWAY TER, Montclair 5 1/4 new listing! 4000 sf, views Pacific Union, Kirk Phillips 339-6460 \$795,000
- 5038 COCHRANE AVE, New Price! Upr Rckrdge 5bd/3ba, dbl lot Templeton Company, Gini Erck 652-2133 X133 \$765,000
- 33 NORTH HILL CT, Exquisite entry stairway, designer kit/office, 4/3 The GRUBB Company, Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400 \$759,000
- 6414 SWAINLAND RD, 4+bd/3ba, awesome drama, land, view! Better Homes, D. C. Hodges 531-7667 \$747,500
- 1200 SUNNYHILLS RD, Crocker landmark Med, 1/2 acre, 3bd/2 1/2ba Coldwell Banker, Dian Hymer 339-1174 \$699,000
- 145 AGNES ST, Upr Rockridge, new 5bd/4ba, family rm, level-out The GRUBB Company, Dora Dryden 339-0400 \$685,000
- 5435 GOLDEN GATE, Upr Rockridge magical 3+bd/2 1/2ba Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, K. Florence 869-4250 \$649,000
- 8898 SKYLINE BLVD, Montclair 3+bd/3 1/2ba newer contemp with GG views! Kimball & Taboloff 947-2000, Mary Jean 944-5953 SUNDAY 1-4 \$629,500
- 1007 SUNNYHILLS RD, Sunny 3+bd/3ba Crocker Highlands castle Templeton Company, Gini Erck 652-2133 X133 \$599,000
- 7251 SKYLINE, Montclair, views, privacy, decks, 5/4+, aupair/office Coldwell Banker, Ken McDonald 339-1174 \$599,000
- 1955 MANZANITA, Montclair, large luxurious 4bd/3ba w/ views Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, H. Converse 869-4212 \$589,000
- 6001 CONTRA COSTA, Rockridge 4+bd/2 1/2ba, gourmet kit, hwdws The GRUBB Company, John Karmay 339-0400 \$585,000
- 925 GLENDEME CIRCLE, 3+bd/2 1/2ba stunning 20's Med, views Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, J. Garcia 869-4211 \$579,000
- 5055 DUBLIN AVE, Joaquin Miller 5bd/4ba contemporary, au pair Better Homes, Dawn Ellis 339-4000 \$575,000
- 14 CLIPPER HILL, Hiller Highlands, lg view home, 4/3, FDR, more! Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammerel 339-1174 \$569,000
- 56 SHERIDAN, Upr Rockridge 5 1/4 new traditional, level-in Mason-McDuffie, N. Hinkley 428-0900 \$564,000
- 7067 SKYLINE BL, New listing, 4bd/3ba, pano views, kit/fam rm Pacific Union, Kathy Flynn 339-6460 \$529,000
- 2727 LAS AROMAS, Montclair 3+bd/3ba, office, familyrm, bay vw The GRUBB Company, Sheila Gallagher 339-0400 \$529,000
- 6815 BRISTOL, Claremont Highlands 3+bd/3 custom, level yd, view Better Homes, Ed Lindorfer 531-8401 SUNDAY 2-5 \$499,000
- 6022 ROCKWELL, 1st open! exquisite details, mstr + 3/2, office Marvin Gardens, Ann Plant 287-8761 SUNDAY 2-5 \$499,000
- 5958 ALMADEN LN, Montclair 4+bd/3 1/2ba, privacy, light, space Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, V. Landes 869-4225 \$499,000
- 1832 GRANDVIEW, North Hills 3+bd/2+ba contemporary, loft Pacific Union, Vicki Woodhead 339-6460 \$499,000
- 6555 OAKWOOD DR, Montclair 4bd/3ba beauty, quality, rec rm, frpl Coldwell Banker, Nancy Dickey 339-1174 \$489,000
- 175 ALTA RD, Upr Rockridge contemp, 3+bd/2+ba, patio, mstr w/frpl Coldwell Banker, Michael Thompson 339-1174 \$489,000
- 5850 PINEWOOD, 4bd/2 1/2ba on large lot, quiet neighborhood Gallagher & Lindsey, Debbie 748-1806 \$485,000
- 3266 BRUNELL, New listing! 4bd/2 1/2ba, bay view, grt outdoor living Wells & Bennett, Wendy Callaghan 531-7000 \$477,000
- 8525 CHELTON DR, Piedmont Pines 3bd/3ba contemporary, views Better Homes, Nahid Nassiri 339-4000 \$469,000
- 5768 SCARBOROUGH, Piedmont Pines, charming 3bd/3 1/2ba, 2 lots The GRUBB Company, Linda McClain 339-0400 \$465,000
- 1054 SUNNYHILLS RD, Crocker Highlands 3bd/2 1/2ba, garden, FDR The GRUBB Company, Kathleen Callahan 339-0400 \$459,000
- 6125 FAIRLANE DR, Montclair 3+bd/3ba custom, aupair, quality Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460 \$459,000
- 6601 COLTON BL, Stately Montclair on level knoll, 4 1/3, pvt, vws The GRUBB Company, Judy Rankin 339-0400 \$459,000
- 825 PARAMOUNT RD, 3bd/2 1/2ba, sunny classic Mediterranean Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Mavis Delacox 658-6332 \$449,000
- 230 SHERIDAN, Upr Rockridge, new listing, 3bd/2 1/2ba, 3 frpls, vw Coldwell Banker, Ruby Ng 339-1174 \$439,900
- 6905 EXETER DR, Piedmont Pines 4+bd/3 contemporary, view Better Homes, D. C. Hodges 531-7667 \$439,500
- 4326 VIEWCREST CT, Ridgmont 5bd/3ba, great bay vw, level yd Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Judy Farrell 450-0631 \$438,900
- 7075 EXETER DRIVE, Montclair 5bd/3ba, study, 3 decks, large remodeled 3 level home. 530-5482 \$437,500
- 5259 Harbor Dr, OWNER WILL CARRY 1st T.D. Rckrdge 5 1/3, \$435,000 plus aupair or rental unit. Coldwell Banker, Jerilyn 547-1815 SUNDAY 12-4 \$435,000
- 2699 HAVERHILL DR, Piedmont Pines 4bd/3 1/2ba, private decks Better Homes, Julie Hastings 339-4000 \$429,000
- 38 STARVIEW, Hiller, just listed, 3bd/3ba lg sunny townhome, view Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammerel 339-1174 \$429,000
- 1527 MOUNTAIN BL, 4+bd/2+ba English cottage, 1/4 acre Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460 \$425,000
- 5917 MARGARITO, Upr Rckrdge 3 1/2 trad, rumpus, garden/patio Better Homes, Carin Caroe 339-8400 \$419,000
- 6611 LUGGETT DR, Montclair 4bd/2+ba, make an offer! Better Homes, Edith Marcus 339-4000 \$415,000
- 1909 OAKCREST, Upr Oakmore 3 1/2, charming Cape Cod Better Homes, Martha Shin 531-8643 \$409,000
- 12 MARLIN COVE, Hiller, 2bd/2 1/2ba, bay view from 2 levels Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammerel 339-1174 \$405,000
- 1915 OAKVIEW DR, Oakmore 4bd/3 1/2ba w/dazzling SF/Bay vws Better Homes, Jeff Hilgert 339-8400 \$399,000
- 511 FLORENCE, Upr Rockridge 5bd/3ba, luxury mstr suite, office Pacific Union, Pat Dedekian 339-6460 \$395,000
- 4256 RIDGEMONT CT, 4bd/3ba, front courtyard, spacious flr plan Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174 \$389,000

- 6167 VIEWCREST DR, Ridgmont 3+bd/2+ba, views, level backyd Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460 \$385,000
- 280 EUCLID, Charming duplex, huge rooms, a rare find! charm Wells & Bennett, Donna Conroy 531-7000 \$375,000
- 5797 SCARBOROUGH DR, Montclair 4b/2+ba contemporary, hwdws Pacific Union, Nancy Chew 339-6460 \$369,000
- 8 BOWLES PLACE, Crocker 3+bd/2ba, stylish, reduced, a deal! Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, George Millons 869-4233 \$360,000
- 6276 ASPINWALL RD, Montclair 3/3, open/airy contemp, spa, decks Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460 \$359,000
- 1581 TRESTLE GLEN RD, Charming Crocker 3 1/2, hot tub, detail The GRUBB Company, Stacy Ewing 339-0400 \$359,000
- 1877 GRANDVIEW, Hiller Highlands 3 1/3 end unit, SF/GG views, patio Pacific Union, Teri Carlisle 339-6460 \$349,950
- 4 BOWLES PLACE, Crocker Highlands on cul-de-sac, 3bd, aupair The GRUBB Company, Susan Veit 339-0400 \$349,500
- 5022 CRYSTAL RIDGE, Just listed! spacious, fam rm off kitchen Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174 \$349,000
- 1 TEMPLAR PLACE, Upr Rockridge, charm/updated 3 1/2, a jewel! Coldwell Banker, Jack Breneman 339-1174 \$349,000
- 6206 CLIVE, Montclair, large 4+bd/3 1/2ba, aupair, beautiful Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, H. Manor 644-0808 \$349,000
- 6465 REGENT ST, @ Woolsey, nw listing! big wonderful 4bd, grt yd Tarpoil & Talbot, Anet Tarpoil 653-2050 \$340,000
- 1433 BARROWS RD, Crocker Highlands 3bd/2ba new listing, lg mstr Pacific Union, Joan Daniel 339-6460 \$339,000
- 2424 STOCKBRIDGE DR, Charming Piedmont Pines 3bd/1 1/2ba, gdn The GRUBB Company, Connie Rogers 339-0400 \$339,000
- 6919 BRISTOL DR, 4bd/3ba, Claremont Hts, 3000 sq ft, a steal! Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Ray 287-5904 \$338,000
- 6294 BULLARD, Montclair, precious 2+2 on huge rolling site! Mason-McDuffie, Mark Miller 428-0900 \$334,000
- 4810 TRINIDAD, Joaquin Miller 4bd/3ba, level in, great yd Better Homes, Morrie Feigenberg 339-4000 \$329,000
- 1911 MANZANITA, Montclair 3b/2b, grand views, decks, upgrades Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, H. Converse 869-4212 \$330,000
- 485 BOULEVARD WAY, 3bd/2 1/2ba totally renovated 1909 craftsman, gourmet kit, natural wood, office, porch, attic, deck, huge lot. Agent 658-7970 \$329,000
- 500 ELYSIAN FIELD DR, Sequoyah 4bd/2ba, secluded, private Better Homes, Hal Marcus 339-4000 \$329,000
- 1014 WINSOR AV, Lakeshore 4bd/2 1/2ba, 1st open! fenced yd, aupair Better Homes, Lois Johnson 339-6460 \$329,000
- 6850 GUNN DR, Montclair nw listing! 3 1/2, best in-law/office set-up Mason-McDuffie 834-2010 \$325,000
- 21 TATE TERRACE, Chabot Estates, 3bd/3ba dramatic ranch, 3525 sq ft, Jacuzzi, 1/4 acre, near golf course. Owner 568-7955 SUNDAY 1-5 \$324,000
- 2525 ALIDA, Lincoln Hts 5bd/4ba, in-law potential National Real Estate Services, Charles Rivers 482-2380 \$319,000
- 4152 BALFOUR, Prairie style traditional, 3bd, sweet yard, deck Wells & Bennett, Stan Hammond 531-7000 \$319,000
- 5500 ESTATES DR, Upr Rockridge 4+bd/3b, family rm, garden, deck The GRUBB Company, Josephine O'Shaughnessy 339-0400 \$319,000
- 5945 HARBOR DR, Montclair, adorable 3bd/2ba, hwdws, move-in! The GRUBB Company, Bettina Balestrini 339-0400 \$315,000
- 1 LODGE CT, Montclair 2bd/2ba, new listing! huge mstr, yard Pacific Union, Dee Dee Bonham 339-6460 \$310,000
- 2200 TIFFIN RD, Oakmore 3 1/2, warm, charming Colonial, rumpus Pacific Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460 \$310,000
- 2320 LEIMERT, Upr Oakmore 3+bd/2+ba, reduced \$40K, charm Better Homes, Harry Kress 531-2140 \$305,000
- 1890 CLEMENS, What a jewel! 2+bd Tudor, new A/bath, patio Wells & Bennett, Nancy Novick 531-7000 \$299,900
- 1427 BARROWS RD, Crocker, 4b/2ba, charming, updt kit/ba, lg yd Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460 \$299,500
- 5552 ESTATES, Rockridge new listing! 3bd/1 1/2ba, huge garden Better Homes, M. J. McConville 339-4000 \$299,000
- 994 VERMONT, 3+bd/1 1/2ba, spacious, elegant traditional Better Homes, M. J. McConville 339-4000 \$299,000
- 1955 GOULDIN RD, Montclair 4bd/2 1/2ba, reduced! level yard Better Homes, Harry Kress 531-2140 \$299,000
- 5353 THOMAS ST, Rockridge 3+bd/1+ba new listing, sep. 1bd unit Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460 \$299,000
- 6709 THORNHILL DR, Montclair 3bd/2 1/2ba contemporary, family rm Better Homes, Charlene Claybaugh 444-SOLD \$298,900
- 1760 GOULDIN, Fab setting! Montclair level-in 3 1/2, garage Coldwell Banker, Joan Alford 339-1174 \$295,000
- 6924 COLTON BL, Montclair 4bd/2ba, spacious, gracious, hwdws Coldwell Banker, Dell M. Orr 339-1174 \$295,000
- 4501 HARBOR DR, Upr Rockridge sharp 3bd, new ba, +rm/office Coldwell Banker, Marilyn Bremser 339-1174 \$292,500
- 4133 OAK HILL RD, New listing, Sequoyah Hills 3bd/2ba custom contemp, family room, view. Kimball & Taboloff, Margo Bader 482-4131 \$289,000
- 1261-63 EXCELSIOR, Glenview renovated duplex, 4/2 & 2/1 Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202 \$289,000
- 4117 COOLIDGE AVE, New listing! 3bd/1 1/2ba, new kitchen, FDR Wells & Bennett, Chris Christensen 531-7000 \$289,000
- 39 RONADA, 3+bd/2ba, family room, bsmt living area, patio, frpl Harbor Bay Realty, Fred Christensen 814-4811 SUNDAY 2-5 \$289,000
- 515 WESTFIELD, Crestmont, 4bd/3ba, sweeping bay vw, hwdws Coldwell Banker, Sherry Benninger 339-1174 \$289,000
- 2634 CHARLESTON ST, Lincoln Hts 3 1/2, spectacular vw, bargain! Better Homes, Rachel Baller 530-3860 \$287,000
- 1132-1134 NORWOOD AVE, Trestle Glen duplex, 2bd/1ba each unit Owner 832-6558 SUNDAY 12-5 \$285,000
- 9018 SKYLINE BL, Montclair 3bd/2ba sundrenched trad, private Better Homes, Anida Weyl 746-1949 \$284,500
- 6070 THORNHILL CT, Montclair 3bd/2ba updated, sunny, nr village Better Homes, Alice Wick 339-8400 \$279,000
- 7600 MOUNTAIN BL, Oakland Hills 3/2 includes rental cottage, gdn Better Homes, Helen Nicholas 339-8400 \$279,000

- 4244 LAGUNA, 3bd/yard, 2-car garage, maple & granite kitchen Wells & Bennett, Stan Hammond 531-7000 \$275,000
- 4107 OAKMORE RD, 3bd/2ba, faded elegance/TLC to shine, charm Wells & Bennett, Katie Meadow 531-7000 \$275,000
- 3370 HERRIER ST, Redwd Hts light/bright 3bd/2 1/2ba, office space, Coldwell Banker, Terry Kulka 339-1174 \$275,000
- 300 CAPRICORN, Montclair, light/bright 3+bd/2ba, office, deck, vw The GRUBB Company, John Karmay 339-0400 \$275,000
- 3909 TURNLEY AVE, Sequoyah Hills 3bd/2ba on cul-de-sac, deck Pacific Union, Tom Wurst 339-6460 \$275,000
- 4409 ARCADIA, Fixers, 2 homes on 1 lot, upr Oakmore, "as is" Wells & Bennett, Don Dunning 531-7000 \$275,000
- 12575 BROOKPARK RD, 3bd/2ba reduced! 1-level ranch, hwdws Pacific Union, Nancy Chew 339-6460 \$275,000
- 419 ELWOOD AVE, Grand Lake 2+bd/1+ba, charming, balcony Pacific Union, D. Costella 339-6460 \$275,000
- 3106 CARLSEN, Price reduced! 4/2, fam rm w/frpl, hwdws, skylight and more. Not a drive by. Korman & Ng 525-4600 \$275,000
- 1924 OAK CREST DR, Oakmore 2bd/2ba with huge gorgeous yard! Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Carole Berger 644-5499 \$275,000
- 4266 FRUITVALE AV, Redwood! fab gardens, 2+bd, FDR, brkfst rm, w/lls & Bennett, Kate Phillips 339-6460 \$275,000
- 4012 LAGUNA AVE, Laurel 3bd/3ba brown shingle, nw bath/toilet Better Homes, Steven Biasatti 339-6180 \$275,000
- 4761 DAVENPORT, 3bd/2ba, level to yard, great SF view, FDR Wells & Bennett, Noll Davis 531-7000 \$275,000
- 44 SERENO CIR, Redwd Hts 2+bd/2+ba new listing! elegant mstr Pacific Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460 \$275,000
- 87 TERALYN CT, Impeccable townhouse, 3bd/2 1/2ba, 2-car garage! Coldwell Banker, Donna Ranslem 339-1174 \$275,000
- 5646 THORNHILL DR, Montclair 3bd/2ba in mint condition! Mason-McDuffie 527-9800, Kiyoko Sera 526-2945 \$275,000
- 4406 WHITTE AVE, Oakmore 3bd/2ba quiet retreat. new paint Pacific Union, Sandi Klemmer 339-6460 \$275,000
- 5360 ESTATES DR, Upr Rockridge 2+bd/2ba, adj lot available! Wells & Bennett, Peter Nicolopoulos 531-7000 \$275,000
- 6968 SARONI, Montclair new listing! spacious 2+bd cottage Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202 \$275,000
- 6621 GUNN DR, Montclair, quiet/peaceful, 3bd, sunny kit, fam rm! The GRUBB Company, Sandra Vior 339-0400 \$275,000
- 2111 TRAFALGAR PL, Montclair refurb 2 1/2 ranch, walk to village! Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, Bob Randall 869-4242 \$275,000
- 2443 ALIDA, Lincoln Hts 3bd/2ba, large family room National Real Estate Services, Charles Rivers 482-2380 \$275,000
- 842/842A WALKER, Grand Lake 2 units, 2 garages, MUST SEE! Owner 834-8768 SUNDAY 11-5 & MONDAY 3-6 5% Down \$275,000
- 3621 VIREN, Redwd Hts 3bd/2ba, 1st open, lovely private vistas! Better Homes, Carol Cohen 339-6460 \$275,000
- 747 CALMAR, Just listed! charm/curb appeal, gdn, deck, FDR, 3bd Coldwell Banker, Ruby Ng 339-1174 \$275,000
- 2483 CORDOVA ST, Dimond, historic Med, 3b/2 1/2, details/valued! The GRUBB Company, Kathleen Callahan 339-0400 \$275,000
- 4888 SHETLAND, Grass Valley 3bd/2ba, immaculate, great price! Better Homes, Rosemary 635-9842 \$275,000
- 4115 MIDVALE, Redwood Hts 3 1/2 w/pno views, level yard Better Homes, Carol Cohen 339-6460 \$275,000
- 7 VILLANOVA @ Villanova Lane, 2+bd/1ba, unbelievable views! Mason-McDuffie, Nancy Lehnding 428-0900 \$275,000
- 2245 PRINCE ST, Charming town of century cottage, 2+bd/1ba Wells & Bennett, Peter Nicolopoulos 531-7000 \$275,000
- 6907 SARONI DR, Montclair 2bd/2ba, lg private master bdrm suite, excellent condition, landscaped, fruit trees. Edward Bell Realty 339-3832 \$275,000
- 1447 E. 38TH ST, Sweet updated 2+bd/1ba bungalow, full bsmt Templeton Company, Jan Fougner 652-2133 X138 SUNDAY 2-4 \$275,000
- 4509 MORAGA, Great value! 3bd/2ba, price reduced! Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Pamela Comfort 869-4213 \$275,000
- 3963 WHITTE, Upr Fruitvale 3bd/1ba new listing! split level, deck Pacific Union, Lee Jacobson 339-6460 \$275,000
- 3951 HUNTINGTON, Upr High St. Terrace, 3/2, quiet neighborhood! Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Heidi Tuggle 531-4554 \$275,000
- 247 4TH ST #209, Large live-work, more! Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, Felicia Owens 869-4217 \$275,000
- 3924 ROBLEY TER, Price reduction! 2+1 off Pied Ave, pos.in-law Wells & Bennett, Frank Hennefer 531-7000 \$275,000
- 387 43RD ST, Temescal, 1st open! 3bd craftsman, quiet cul-de-sac Marvin Gardens, Kathie 287-8752 SUNDAY 2-4 \$275,000
- 1266 BATES RD, Trestle Glen 2+bd/1+ba, fenced backyd w/fruit trees Red Barn Realty 252-0617, Debra M. Brown 704-9432 \$275,000
- 3815 ELSTON, Value! spacious 2bd, family rm, bsmt, lg kitchen Wells & Bennett, Jackie Carter 531-7000 \$275,000
- 5405 THOMAS AVE, Rockridge 3bd/1 1/2ba, hardwoods, fireplace The GRUBB Company, Marilyn Watson 339-0400 \$275,000
- 3977 GREENWOOD, Glenview 2b/1ba bungalow, best value in area! Mason-McDuffie, Lisa Friedman 334-2010 \$275,000
- 1570 EXCELSIOR AVE, Glenview 2+bd/1ba, total charm Better Homes, Carolyn Hartley 339-4000 \$275,000
- 3133 ARIZONA, 2bd/1ba Coldwell Banker, Diane Verducci 486-1495 \$275,000
- 3957 COOLIDGE AV, Lincoln Hts 2+bd/1b, prettiest house/best yd Better Homes, Rachel Baller 530-3860 \$275,000
- 6655 MOORE DR, Pied Pines 3bd/2ba, estate says bring all offers! Better Homes, Kan Ferrell 814-9036 \$275,000
- 9012 BURR, 3bd/2ba, fabulous views Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, Felicia Owens 869-4217 \$275,000
- 4630 REINHARDT, Redwood Heights, EZ care, view, great area Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, H. Converse 869-4212 \$275,000
- 3600 VICTOR AVE, Redwd Hts off Upper 35th, 2bd, hardwood flrs, new exterior paint, fireplace, Probate. Pacific Coast RE 521-9721 \$275,000
- 1462 E. 38TH ST, Glenview 2bd/1ba, low maintenance Better Homes, Rachel Baller 530-3860 \$275,000
- 4645 PARK, Glenview 2+bd/1+ba bargain! fab location Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, V. Moran 869-4236 \$275,000

To place a listing in the Open Home Guide, please call 339-4046.

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the Carriage House from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; as well as photo exhibits in the mansion history room. Admission for the grounds without a mansion tour is by suggested donation of \$2 for adults; \$1 for seniors/juniors (members and children under 6 are free). Admission with a mansion tour is \$5, adults; \$4, seniors/juniors; members and children under 6 are free. For further information, call 615-555-1111.

Berkwood Hedge School presents **The 400 Steps: An Urban Hike Along Berkeley's Hidden Paths**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine, Sun., May 19, at John Hinkel Park, Berkeley. Explore North Berkeley's paths and neighborhoods with naturalists, horticulturalists, urban ecologists, architects and local historians. The \$20 tax-deductible contribution, which will benefit the school's scholarship fund, includes a map and walking notes. Call 849-1269 for more information.

Heritage Roses presents A Cel-

bration of Old Roses, Sun., May 19, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the El Cerrito Community Center, Mosher at Ashby, El Cerrito. This rose show and sale is free and features old rose plants and books, rose art and cards, china, potpourri, plant labels, antique prints and herbs. Come, delight your senses.

The Wausau Mortgage Corp. announces Charles Patton's free 203k mortgage workshop **Rehabilitate for Profit or Equity with a Proven Product**. Thurs., May 23 at the Lakeview Club, 300 Lakeside Dr., Oakland, (The top floor of the

Kaiser Center. The workshop, which will show you how to use the 203(k) loan product to purchase, renovate and resell property in a short time is held on an ongoing basis. Call (800)801-1320 ext. 240. for other times and locations.

Catherine Teegarden of RAF Mortgage presents a free seminar, **How to Make Money Using the FHA 203K Purchase/Rehab Loan**, 7 p.m. Thurs., May 23, at First American Title in the building adjacent to 1528 Webster, Owner-occupants can buy finished properties for no money down. Non-prof-

its (churches or other) can buy and fix up properties for the community that they serve. Learn how to purchase, rehab and sell properties using this loan product. Buyers, Realtors, contractors, non-profit organizations, churches, investors are welcome. Reservations are required. Call Teegarden at (510) 528-0767, ext. 17.

Artists from El Cerrito, Richmond and Point Richmond, San Pablo, El Sobrante and Hercules will be participating in the 1996 **West County Open Studios**, until Fri., May 24. For more information

visit the Richmond Art Center, Civic Center Plaza, 25th and Barrett Streets, Richmond. Gallery hours are Tues. through Fri., 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call 620-6772 during gallery hours for more information.

The Bay Area Chapter of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry, will hold its June 12 meeting at a special location: the Berkeley Design Center, 3195 Adeline St. in Berkeley. Call (415) 255-6463 for more information.

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YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

OAKLAND Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

- 1009 RHODA, Cute starter, 2/1, h/dws, landscaped, frpl, garage \$175,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1010 TULIP, 3bd/1ba above 580, great family neighborhood \$174,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1012 BROOKDALE, Maxwell Park 3bd/1ba spacious home, move-in! \$169,950
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1014 PALMETTO, Dimond 2bd/1ba renovated Victorian \$169,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1017 KINGSLAND, Maxwell Park 3bd/1ba bright bungalow, view \$169,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1019 MIAMI CT, Glenview 1920's dbl parlored craftsman w/original \$164,950
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1021 ARCHMONT PL, Millsmont 3/2 super clean remodeled/ready \$159,900
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1023 MAYBELLE, Laurel new listing! 2bd/1ba, WOW! \$159,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1025 DAMUTH ST, 2bd/2ba new listing! charming br shingle, frpl \$159,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1027 GLEN PARK RD, Very charming 2bd/1ba, great opportunity! \$157,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1029 LAIRD, 3bd/1ba, everything done, grt condition, bay view \$149,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1031 43RD ST, 2bd/1ba, not a fixer! nr Telegraph/easy commute \$149,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1033 38TH ST, Temescal, big sunny 2bd/1ba, stained glass \$145,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1035 13TH AVE, 3bd/2ba colorful Victorian, FDR, h/dws \$142,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1037 FLORIDA, 2bd/1ba, nds some cosmetic fix up, Laurel district \$142,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1039 MCKELMINE AVE, Millsmont 2bd/1ba charming cottage \$139,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1041 DOVER ST, 2bd/1ba, plus bonus studio \$139,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1043 SIMPSON ST, Cute 1+1bd/1ba, pano views \$135,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1045 OLIVER, 2bd/1ba view home, FDR, h/dws, 2-car gar, 1300 sf \$129,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1047 YORK #206, Crocker Highlands studio, new carpets, pool, sauna \$57,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1049 E. 17TH, 2+bd/1ba, stop paying rent! lots of charm \$82,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1051 EL DORADO #304, Bargain 1bd/1ba luxury top floor condo on \$76,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1053 BAYO VISTA #204, Sunny affordable condo, fabulous location \$86,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

ALAMEDA Open Sunday

- 1055 CUMBERLAND WAY, Harbor Bay, elegant 4 1/2, mbrl frs, yd \$399,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1057 1222 NASON, 2bd/1ba craftsman bungalow w/great yard! \$209,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1059 ALBANY Open Sunday
- 1061 MASONIC AVE, Spanish style 2bd/1ba, light and airy \$265,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1063 SONOMA AVE, 2bd/1ba craftsman w/deck, yard, garage \$259,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1065 SONOMA AV, Sunny Spanish style, pleasant garden, move in \$239,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1067 MADISON, Spacious 2bd in mint condition! grt location/yd \$229,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1069 TALBOT, Charming English MacGregor style 2bd + loft, frpl \$219,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1071 CARMEL, Best location! sunny fixer near Solano, opportunity \$179,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

BERKELEY Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

- 1073 BELROSE AVE, 5+bd/5+ba Italian villa, space & details! \$899,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1075 GRAVATT DR, Claremont Hills 3bd/3+ba nw constr, grt bay view! \$850,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1077 ARLINGTON, 4/4 stunning renovation, double lot, gardens \$849,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1079 VICENTE RD, 4bd/3ba nw Med, 1st open quality/location \$775,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1081 LALOMA, 5bd/3+ba \$699,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1083 CLAREMONT, 3+bd/3b, elegant huge garden, seller motivated \$699,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1085 SHATTUCK, Berkeley 4bd/3ba \$865,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1087 HILLCREST, New Claremont listing, 4+3, cul-de-sac, quality! \$850,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1089 ARLINGTON, Stunning rococo 4+bd/3ba Med w/aux finishes \$825,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1091 DERBY ST, 4+bd/2+ba, family rm, study, garden, hot tub \$539,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1093 HILL RD, 4bd/4ba w/versatile floor plan, in-law, reduced! \$499,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1095 GRIZZLY PEAK, Berkeley 4bd/3ba \$495,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1097 CLAREMONT CRES, 4/3 beauty! impeccable lovely garden \$475,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1099 ALVARADO RD, Charming 3bd/2+ba Med w/vw, family rm \$449,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1101 FOREST LANE, Rustic hills 3/2 trad + aupair, court, GG vw \$439,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1103 SPRUCE, 4bd/2ba \$435,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

- 111 PANORAMIC WAY, 2bd, 2 studies, 2 1/2ba, secluded hill site, vw \$429,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 113 VINCENTE AV, 1000 Oaks, private 4+1/2, FDR, aupair potential \$429,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 115 HILLDALE, No. Berk Hills 4+1/2, spacious family home, perfect \$419,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 117 BUENA VISTA, Stunning contemp w/GG view, in-law potential \$380,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 119 PARK HILLS, Berkeley 3+bd/3ba \$373,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 121 GRIZZLY PEAK, 1st time open! charm, vw, garden, 3+bd/2ba \$369,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 123 SPRUCE ST, 3bd/2+ba, view! remod kitchen, formal dining \$349,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 125 SHATTUCK, 3bd/3ba plus in-law \$339,900
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 127 BOYNTON, Charming 3bd/2+ba Tudor, view, trees \$320,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 129 FLORENCE, Elmwood 4bd/2ba Brown Shingle, huge yard \$319,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 131 PANORAMIC, 3bd/2+ba \$315,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 133 COLUSA, Berkeley 3+bd/2ba \$299,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 135 THE ALAMEDA, 2bd/1ba \$295,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 137 ALAMO AVE, Charming 3bd/2ba No. Berkeley bungalow, aupair \$260,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 139 ASHBY AVE, Large 3 1/2 craftsman, sunny garden \$245,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 141 TOMLEE, New listing! 2bd/1ba plus studio cottage \$239,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 143 BAKER ST, 2 homes, 3/1 house, 2/1 cottage, live & rent \$214,900
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 145 EDWARDS ST, ZERO down on lease option! 2+bd, studio in garden, charm, upgrades, quiet. Best block in town! \$199,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 147 BLAKE ST, 2bd/1ba, light & bright, move in condition! \$189,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 149 BERRYMAN, Just Reduced! sweet 1bd gem! office space \$184,900
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 151 OREGON, 2bd/1ba \$173,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 153 DWIGHT WAY, 2bd/2ba, remod kitchen, frpl, h/dws, level yd \$169,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 155 ROSE ST, 1st time open! charming 2bd/1ba, sunny level yard \$159,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 157 DWIGHT WAY, 2bd/2ba \$155,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 159 CHANNING PLACE, New stylish 1 & 2bd, heart of Berkeley! \$139,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 161 CARLETON, Berkeley 1bd/1ba \$119,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

CASTRO VALLEY Open Sunday

- 2230 STAR, 2bd/1ba beautiful starter, 1st open! \$162,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

EL CERRITO Open Sunday

- 7210 VIEW AVE, 4+bd/3+ba English tudor, prof. landscaped, move in \$799,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 1515 MADERA CT, Newly remod contemp, 4/3 1/2, gourmet kit, tile fl \$825,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 900 KING DRIVE, El Cerrito 4bd/2+ba \$339,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 528 SEAVIEW, 3bd/2+ba, First Open! completely remodeled \$335,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 5424 SILVA, Mira Vista, super custom 4bd/2ba, wooded setting \$319,950
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 508 BONNIE DR, 3bd/1+ba, Havenside district, close to Fairmont shops, charming & spacious. Locators RE, Sil 232-0281 \$295,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 709 COLUSA, Just reduced! spacious 4 1/2 w/rws, ideal location \$289,500
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 7202 A STREET, 4bd/2+ba sunny, on cul-de-sac nr Plaza/Albany \$239,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202
- 215 POMONA, El Cerrito 2bd/1ba \$195,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

EMERYVILLE Open Sunday

- 4300 HORTON #5, 1 1/2 sunwashed 1700 sf loft/rehabbed warehouse \$242,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

EL SOBRANTE Open Sunday

- 330 HAT COURT, El Sobrante 4bd/2+ba \$219,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

HERCULES Open Sunday

- 344 SCOTT'S VALLEY, Hercules 3bd/2+ba \$169,000
Mason-McDuffie, 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202

KENSINGTON Open Sunday

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- 11 SCENIC AVE, Landscaped, formal living/dining, library, detail \$959,500
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- 420 HAMPTON RD, 4bd/3+ba colonial, level/landscaped, rumpus \$875,000
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- 111 ESTATES DR, All level home, central court, family room \$749,500
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- 407 PALA AVE, 4bd/2+ba, grt kitchen, level fenced grounds, view \$725,000
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- 21 PARK WAY, Elegant 3-story trad, 5+ sunny bd, FDR, family rm \$699,000
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- 33 SOLETO AV, 2bd +den, 4+ba, aupair, enclosed lanai out to patio \$695,000
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- 33 PIEDMONT CT, 4bd/3ba, new price! elegant trad, family room \$679,000
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- 180 MAXWELL RD, Pano view, M garden, 4+3, country kitchen \$595,000
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- 89 OAKMONT, Distinctive 3bd/2+ba contemporary, exc. condition \$385,000
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- 1609 GRAND AVE, Darling 3/2 trad, split M, sunny, private, garden \$365,000
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- 120 MORAGA AVE, 2bd/1ba, lowest price in Piedmont, h/dws \$229,500
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- 117 RANTOUL CIRCLE, 3/3, 1st open! cul-de-sac, grt kitchen \$280,000
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- 934 BRIDGE RD, 4 bedrooms \$249,500
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- 733 JOAQUIN, New listing, lg 3+bd plus in-law, h/dws, 2 frpls \$229,000
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- 2023 STAR PINE WY, Pinewood, 7 yrs old, 2 mstr bedrm suites, 3/2 \$205,000
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- 2513 OUTRIGGER DR, 3bd/2+ba, FDR, patio, vw of streams, garden \$192,500
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East Bay Habitat for Humanity announces its July Build-A-Thon, Fri. July 5 to Tues., July 9 at its 105th Avenue construction site in Oakland. Habitat hopes to frame five houses in this five day period with 1,000 volunteers. 100 of these volunteers must be trained carpenters. The \$25 registration fee will cover breakfast and lunch for the five days. Habitat also hopes to find corporations, schools and churches willing to help raise the \$100,000 necessary to complete the project, volunteers to staff the merchandise, food and registration tables as well as sponsors, food donors and entertainers. Call 251-6304 to get involved.

The City of Oakland's Office of Cultural Affairs presents the Adult Arts Camp, July 27 to Aug. 3 at the Feather River Camp in Quincy, CA. The camp will feature landscape drawing and painting, plein-air oil painting, fabric printing, glass bead making, tai chi and nature classes. The \$400 cost includes classes, transportation and inclusive eight day, seven night accommodations in shared rustic cabins. Call 238-6951 for more information.

Kathleen Crandall of Mason McDuffie Real Estate, Inc. teams up with Mike Woodridge and Kai Matsuda of WebRangers Online Design to present the free seminar Marketing Your Home On the

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Le Tip International, a organization of independent businesspeople devoted to exchanging business leads and helping other members, meets Wednesdays at 7:15 a.m. Guests welcome. Call Lisa Schliff at 236-3002.

The Friends of the Latin American Library hold regular meetings at the Latin American Library, 1900 Fruitvale Ave., Oakland. Join in to support the library as it enters its 30th year of service. For more information call the library at 535-5620.

If you're interested in joining the Phantom of the Opera Fan Club or want to receive its newsletter, call Alison Trammell at 682-4793.

For inclusion in Events, send information to Dennis Evanovsky, Real Estate Editor, Hills Newspapers, 5707 Redwood Rd., Oakland, 94619. Phone: 339-4047 Fax: 339-4066. Information must be received one week prior to publication.

Are unlicensed agents a problem here?

by H. W. Moss

California was the nation's leader in regulating real estate transactions through licensing laws. The Department of Real Estate (DRE) has been issuing licenses since 1917, when the first law of its kind was created in this country.

And the department seems to have been doing a good job if confidence level is any standard. Although anyone can advertise and sell their own home, few do and most homeowners use the services of a real estate broker when it comes to marketing their property.

In fact, 80 percent of consumers investigate hiring a broker prior to buying or selling a home, according to a 1983 Federal Trade Commission staff report. But the question remains: Are unlicensed real estate people a problem in California?

The quick answer is no, according to Les Bettencourt, manager of the San Francisco office of the DRE. "We do receive complaints about unlicensed individuals," Bettencourt said. In fact, he said as much as ten percent of the cases the DRE investigates involve unlicensed people performing acts for which a license is required.

"It's not a huge problem, but it does have a fair amount of representation as far as our case load," Bettencourt said. "When refinancing was big, we saw a lot of home loan mortgage businesses hiring unlicensed people."

When a complaint comes in, the department investigates to see if someone is performing licensed activities as set forth in section 10130 of the Business and Professions Code. If they are, the department then learns whether or not they are receiving compensation.

Those are the two key elements of a DRE investigation: performing licensed activity and being paid for it. In addition to this type of investigation, the commissioner has the power to proceed against a licensee who obtained a license by fraud which includes misstatements of fact in an application for a li-

cense or outright fraud in obtaining that license.

Although the owner of a building is not required to have a license to buy or sell or manage their own real property, any third party hired to do this type of work must be licensed with the state.

The commissioner may then file a desist or refrain order, which tells a person to stop whatever licensed activity they are performing until they obtain a license. There are fines the district attorney can pursue: \$10,000 for a person and \$50,000 for a corporation.

"You do have some instances where the person's license lapsed and a renewal wasn't received from us or the broker didn't keep on top of it and get them to renew on time," said Bettencourt. "Things fall through the cracks. But more often than not, it's someone who is attempting to get compensation without getting a license first."

Property management is a good example. When someone manages someone else's property by locating tenants, negotiating leases and collecting rents, that is licensed activity. Hiring someone to mow the lawn, however, is not licensed activity.

One situation which the DRE sometimes investigates has to do with condominium associations. A property manager for the homeowner's association who is not collecting rents may collect and spend the homeowner's association dues. But if the association has one or two rental units and they want that person to manage and collect rents, that becomes licensed activity.

Bettencourt said another area where investigations of unlicensed persons occurs is in the realm of mortgage loans. "Where a broker employs an unlicensed sales person to perform licensed activity such as soliciting for loans," he said. "Used to see it all the time about ten years ago, but not so often now."

The commissioner may order the imposition of a fine not to exceed

\$10,000 for hiring an unlicensed person to solicit a borrower or lender for, or to negotiate loans secured directly or collaterally on real property.

Every once in a while, Bettencourt said, they investigate an unlicensed person soliciting for a listing. Usually this happens when someone had a license but failed to renew it. Thus, a friend knows them, thinks they are still currently in the business and the person whose license lapsed does nothing to disabuse them of that idea. Bettencourt gave some good advice.

"Before you sign a listing agreement you want to check with the Department to see the current license status and whether the department has taken any disciplinary action against that license. If that does turn up, investigate to see what the cause was."

Like a parking ticket, many times a licensee has done nothing immoral or even illegal and the cause of the discipline turns out to be rather innocuous. In that case, a discipline minor would read: suspension all stayed. That's a slap on the wrist compared to revocation.

Any unlicensed person acting as a real estate broker or a real estate sales person shall be guilty of a public offense punishable by a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six months or both. A cor-

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poration found guilty of a fine may be punished with not exceeding \$50,000.

In order not to run afoul of licensing law, Bettencourt brokers should calendar renewal applications and their continuing education requirements for themselves and the people in a timely fashion don't let their licenses lapse.

Anyone interested on a license information with the may call (415) 904-5925, Francisco, (213) 897-3399, Angeles and in Sacramento (916) 227-0931.

Harry Moss is a licensed estate associate with TCO in Francisco. He also writes and has a website. You can visit at <http://www.netpage.com>

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RETAIL, women's import clothing store now hiring part-time. Must have prior clothing experience and be available to work weekends. Bring resume to: Tiendo Ho, 2493 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley. No phone calls please.

RETAIL, MCGOUGH'S DEPARTMENT STORE-MONTCLAIR. Part-time customer service position available. Good pay depending on background or experience, free parking, employee discount convenient, pleasant atmosphere. Apply in person at: 6211 Medusa Place, Oakland

RETAIL, Sales help needed in women's clothing store Fridays through Mondays. Stop by or mail resume to: 2517 Sacramento St., Berkeley.

RETAIL, sales for responsible person in Oakland for down bedding store on College Ave. Part-time, Sunday and Monday. Sales experience preferred. 510-428-9328

SALES Inside. Small national wholesaler of upscale gifts. Requires person to support customer base and open new accounts. Minimum 3 years experience. Requires excellent written and verbal skills. PC experience with Word, Excel and ACT desired. Gift industry and trade show experience a plus. Ten weeks of Montclair, resume and salary history to: Jobs, P.O. Box 13314, Dept. 636, Oakland, CA 94661

SALES PROFESSIONAL

Join a highly respected and professional organization. Must be energetic, excellent communicator and enjoy community involvement. Earn high commission dollars with benefits. Contact: Michael Morgan, 18000 Mendocino, Chamber of Commerce, 475 14th St., Oakland CA 94612

SECRETARY/ Bookkeeper for small law firm. 15-20 hours/ week. Some computer and bookkeeping experience preferred, attentive to detail, efficient, will train right person. Salary DOE. Resume to: Law Offices, 1839 Harrison Street, Suite 612, Oakland, CA 94612

SECRETARY receptionist, part-time, Tuesday/ Wednesday, 9-5 for property management company in Berkeley. General office and some computer experience. \$7/hour. 549-6982

SERVICE TECHNICIAN

For local spa company. Experienced preferred but will train right person. Must have own vehicle/ tools \$10/hour plus benefits. (510)843-2001, 9-6 p.m.

SHIPPER. Small national wholesaler requires person to manage orders, control inventory, pull/ pack ship upscale gifts. Some customer service. Minimum 5 years business experience. Gift industry and UPS/ mailship experience a plus. Letter, resume and salary history to: Jobs, P.O. Box 13314, Dept. 636, Oakland, CA 94661

STATISTICS tutor needed for mature Cal State student. \$10 per hour. Diane 531-3392.

STORE Manager. Wanted, someone who's sharp, energetic and fun, to manage a small but busy stationery store. Must have retail managerial experience and sterling references. Full-time, weekdays and Saturdays. Salary and benefits negotiable. Applications at: Piedmont Stationers, 4171 Piedmont Ave., Oakland.

SWEET DREAMS CANDY STORE

Seeking dedicated, hardworking person for full and part-time management training positions, must have retail experience, flexible schedule and great personality. Contact Gary, 549-1211.

TEACHER, full-time for preschool. Alameda private daycare for 12 children, 2-5 years. Must have teaching experience. Full-time \$22-1834

TEACHER, 2 year olds, qualified, experienced, Montessori desirable. Resume to: The Model School, 2330 Prince St., Berkeley, CA 94705 510-549-2711

TEACHER Physical Education Instructor, part-time hours to be determined. Private elementary school for learning disabled students in Oakland. Requires California credentials or eligibility for emergency credentials. Also Red Cross WSI, 1996-97 school year. 436-1275

TEACHER bilingual Spanish word for Montessori pre-school ages 4-6, El Cerrito, 730-130 236-7479

TEACHER for Alameda pre-school, structured developmental program. Degree in ECE, 4 years experience required. New facility, full-time, salary/benefits 769-5437

TWO part-time front desk positions available at The Park Fitness Center 20-30 hours/ week. Friendly, customer service oriented person. 530-6937

Property Managers!

Let Your Rentals With Us For Best RESULTS!! 339-8777

401 Help Wanted**TYPESETTER/ GRAPHIC ARTIST**

Permanent part-time hours, 24-32 per week, for weekly newspaper group. Some evening work required. Mac experience required. Must be available to work other hours as necessary. Fax resume with salary expectation to: Mr. Pawley at 510-339-7302. Please include your phone number and the best time to be reached.

VETERINARY Receptionist/ technician for busy hospital. Full-time includes Saturdays. Wide variety of duties. Computer experience a plus but will train. Salary and benefits depending on experience. Bring resume to: Claremont Veterinary Hospital, 5331 College Ave. Oakland. No phone calls accepted.

VILLAGE MARKET

Presently interviewing for part-time retail positions. Competitive pay and benefits. Must be available to work weekends and evenings. Please apply at: 5865 Broadway Terrace, Oakland. No phone calls.

WHOLESALE gourmet cookie company production line. Monday/ Tuesday, 4:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. Recorded message: 540-0231

402 Independent Employment

Advertisers in this classification offer self-employment opportunities. An investment may be required.

\$40,000 YEAR INCOME POTENTIAL
Home typists/ PC users. Toll free 800-888-9778, ext. 1-7057 for listings

\$35,000 YEAR INCOME POTENTIAL
Reading books. Toll Free 800-898-9778, ext. R-7057 for details

CRAFT spaces available June 1. El Cerro and Creative Crafters 1128 Lincoln. 814-9407.

EARN extra money. Educational software and toys for the summer. Call Beth, 886-6332

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CO. Stay Home- get paid for something you already do! Full-time pay for part-time hours. Will Train. Free info. 100% Natural E-Back Guaranteed Products.

SUMMER WORK. Retail/ customer service \$10.50 to start. Will train. Internships/ scholarships available. 845-8159

WANTED: Piece work assemblers. Your home. Part-time. Toys and parts. 849-9284

WILDLIFE/ CONSERVATION JOBS

Game wardens, security, maintenance, etc. No experience necessary. Work training. For information call: 213-794-0010 ext. 8324 6 a.m.-8 p.m. 7 days

403 Salon Opportunities

MANICURIST needed in friendly established salon in San Leandro. Low rent on only space. No competition, client potential. Kathy 638-7878.

MANICURISTS needed in well established, beautifully remodeled salon in Lafayette. Ask for Eva, 283-8318

HAIRSTYLIST Manicurist needed, low rent/ high commission. College Ave. 652-5454

SHEAR Delight. Full service salon. Friendly, professional atmosphere. Opening, both rental. Three month rental incentive. Manicurist station, established clientele. 865-3090

HAIRSTYLIST, manicurist and esthetician wanted for new, unique Berkeley salon. Rental preferred. Please call 639-6060

PART-TIME Massage therapist, esthetician, hairdresser for busy full service salon in Montclair. Avon Salon 339-1199

404 Volunteer Opportunities

WE really need volunteers to help us at Project Open Hand! Call 510-596-8200

405 Employment Exchange

LOVELY 3 bedroom home in exchange for \$600 plus 60 hours outdate help monthly. 569-3353

406 Employment Wanted

BERKELEY High Students available for part-time work. Career Center 548-5627.

CENTRAL American refugees seek employment in housecleaning, gardening, childcare, painting, moving. Skilled and reliable. 533-1119

MONTCLAIR Resident. Available weekends, nights. Errands, cleaning, housekeeping, elderly, children, cooking, references. license #0121451. 655-5699

CARING, reliable person with 20 years experience seeks employment in childcare and light housekeeping. Full-time with references. Live-out. 482-5945

HIGHLY skilled multi-task secretary seeks flexible part-time East Bay position. Extensive software/ accounting experience. Call for resume 273-9511

407 Employment Information

DOWNSIDED? Dissatisfied? Stuck? Discover what's next for your career. Susan Urquhart-Brown, Career Counselor, 531-2071.

408 Caregiver & Domestic Help Wanted

HOME Help Needed. Shop, cook, car pool for family with 3 older kids. 25 hours/ week, flexible. Apartment available. 548-0860

HOUSEKEEPER/ maintenance live-in team to work 15 hours/ week each. Experienced, non-smoking, clean ONLY, green card or US citizen, references required. Privately furnished apartment/ kitchen in Berkeley Hills. Salary DOE. Begin by June 1. 510-849-1920

SUMMER help needed on Tuesdays, Wednesday afternoons and some Fridays. Babysitting for 2 well behaved 6 and 8 year old boys. Chaperoning and errands. Car required. Call 658-5372 after 7.

LIVE-IN elder care/ housekeeper, Rose Garden neighborhood. References required. 763-5799

409 Childcare Wanted

NANNIES Let us help you find the perfect nanny job. Recent childcare work experience, references, car required. 933-2273 ext. 22. Be In Our Care Agency.

NANNY for Delightful girl, 10 and boy, 7. English speaking, non-smoking, CDL. Full-time live-in. Piedmont. Cooking light housekeeping, references required. 1 year commitment. 426-1137.

NANNIES Many jobs, full-time, part-time, live-in, live-out. No fee. Moms Away, 559-9195

BERKELEY Hills family seeks full-time, live-out nanny for daughter. Light housekeeping, excellent English, references, car required. 848-9038

CHILD CARE/ Mother's Helper: Mature adult with infant experience to work with alternative family 24 hours/ week. 845-6190

NANNIES- WONDERFUL JOBS
Toll salaries. Excellent references required. Part-time \$8-112/hour. Full-time \$2000/ month. Live-in/ live-out. East Bay, SF, Marin. Mothers-in-Deed, 415-461-7755. No fee

410 Shared Childcare

BABYSITTER available full-time or part-time 10 years experience. Good references. Call evenings 636-6378

OUR letter is loving, kind and extremely responsible. Seeking a child or (children) needing full-time care to share with us. We have a large yard, toys and 2 big dogs. Berkeley Hills. Call Robin, 649-8758

411 Childcare - Licensed

CINDERELLA Daycare El Cerrito, day/ night/ experienced, responsible, made included. Good rates. #4503984. Maria, 526-1483

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OVER The Rainbow Daycare, loving, safe, fun, educational, outings, experienced, credentials teacher Deborah, #012026900 338-2095

MOM, Grandmom over 2's Openings, home away from home. Moms, CPR certified license #01214651 655-5699

INFANT home care by education specialist. 15 years experience. BA/ ECE Donna, 337-0315. #013411355

412 Babysitting Offered

NANNY, mother of 14 month girl. Available full/ part-time, live-out. In. References, CDL. (415)826-1785, (510)247-0663

HIRE our excellent, caring sister, available full/ part-time. Own car. Call: Hilda 655-8424

WONDERFUL, careful, fun babysitter available full-time or part-time in your home. Excellent references. Tarkenton 763-8575

BABYSITTER experienced, references. Live-out, moving to East Bay June 2nd. Call Sonia 408-879-9553

OUR wonderful, loving babysitter in Berkeley needs more hours, 3-4 mornings a week. 524-2353

A best nanny, with our family for 5 years, seeks 2 infants near Albany. 540-5005

COME play with us. Looking to watch 3-4 children. Great setting. Call Joanne 430-2452

LOOKING for a job as a babysitter or housekeeper. Good references, experience. Own car. 534-4069

FUN loving, patient childcare giver seeking after-school. Excellent references. English, own car. Key, 536-5624

413 Home Health Care Offered

The following people would like to be hired as Home Health Care Providers. If you are looking for a job as a Home Health Care Provider, please see Categories 401 and 408

ABLE CARE INC.

Personal, quality 24 hour live-in care and companionship for the elderly and handicapped in their comfort and security of their own home. Bonded and insured. 510-685-4704

A CARING CONNECTION

Bonded, quality home care includes personal care, housekeeping, companionship. Call Karen, 524-8076

EXPERIENCED caregiver (female, grad student) seeks night shift, live-in position in Montclair area. Kelly 825-7087.

EXPERIENCED caring individual seeks position as elderly care live-in, or companion. References. 522-3810, 521-0153

414 Research Studies**IWE PAY FOR YOUR OPINIONS!**

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Interested in Acquiring Northern California Manufacturing or Distribution business with a potential for growth. The ideal business should require capital, marketing management and a unique product position

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If you have been in business for at least two years and you are ready to grow, please call me. I invest my money and sales and marketing experience to help you. Call: 510-521-0973

MEAT Department sub-lease. Nice location. Piedmont/ Oakland/ Montclair border market. Call 511-6133, Mr. Lee

FOR SALE**601 Antiques & Art**

FINE CLOCK REPAIR
From Grandfather to Cuckoo, pick-up/ delivery. Dependable service, reasonable rates. 376-4666

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602 Appliances

WHIRLPOOL washer and electric dryer, 24 years old, still working. \$150/ set. 339-2716

603 Garage & Estate Sales

GARAGE SALE ADS?
See Clip 'n' Go on the 1st page of Classified Ads

605 Home Furnishings

15th ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL
Buy 2 or more custom mini-blinds this year and we will clean them free of charge next year. Call Marsh Interiors at 569-7540 for details

MATTRESS Sets, Twin, \$89 Full, \$109 Queen, \$159 Sofa-bed, \$299. Sofa with loveseat, \$399. Bunkbeds, \$229. Chest beds, bedroom sets, roll-aways. Simmons, Sealy, Restonic. 444-1990

SOFA, loveseat, matching chair. Three months old. From condo sale. Cost \$1195 sell \$395. 866-8127

DINING Set- solid pecan, 8 caneback chairs, table/ 2 leaves, buffet. \$999/ set. 566-2070

LARGE solid oak roll-top desk, \$550. Pull out couch/ bed, (double bed size), \$90. 337-1827

NURSERY furniture, crib, dresser, changing table and glider. Alpine wood (white wash), great condition. \$600. 527-8269

BEDROOM set, beautiful Mohogany, cherry finish. California King Sleigh bed, dresser with nightstands \$2700. 415-986-4515

DINING/ 6 chairs, china cabinet \$1000. Refrigerator \$225, maple hutch \$150 each, oak table/ 6 chairs \$800, maple hutch \$140, freezer \$50, oak hutch/ stereo \$150, mulcher \$100, roll-ins. 436-9259

606 Miscellaneous For Sale

MEMBERSHIP In The Hills Swim and Tennis Club for \$3100. Call 510-548-2909

NORDICTRACK Excel, \$350. 352-0235. Like new

REDWOOD hot tub, electric motor needs minor repair, working condition. You haul \$300/ offer. 510-339-0472

LAWN mower, Murray, rear bag, 30 hp. Briggs and Stratton engine, \$95. 547-3303

THE Hills lifetime family membership, \$3200 firm plus transfer fee. 643-8305

BAHAMA Cruise 5 days/ 4 nights, underbooked! Must sell \$279 for two. Limited tickets. 1-800-414-4151, ext. 0087. Monday, Saturday, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.

606 Miscellaneous For Sale

BAI DWIN Piano. 8 years, \$1475/ Offers/ trades/ Sterling Set, \$750. Piedmont. 444-8884

607 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANTED- An old toy train Lionel, Marx, American Flyer. Ives. 547-1278

BUYING

Diamonds, gold jewelry, rare coins, etc. Albany Coin Exchange, 1107 Solano Ave., Albany 526-4791

608 Musical Instruments**★ PIANO SALE ★**

All Major Brands Including Electronics COLTON PIANO 510-836-1564

609 Pets - Care & Supplies

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701 Lofts & Live-Work Space

\$900 OFF Broadway near 30th. Dramatic Manhattan style loft. Great light, appliances, washer/ dryer, 960 sq. ft. 510-526-6886

\$1300 EMERYVILLE, available June 1. Private garden entry, off-street parking, 30' ceilings, large windows, full kitchen/ bath, carpeted loft, 1500 sq. ft. 510-450-1350

704 Housing Wanted

MALE professional, 50's needs summer sublet, 1 bedroom or studio, Berkeley, Montclair, Piedmont, Rockridge. 415-566-4754.

QUIET, responsible woman with dog seeks apartment/ cottage with yard. Albany/ Berkeley/ El Cerrito. 510-852-7375

PIEDMONT family seeks 3+ bedroom Piedmont rental, preferably near Beach School, long-term lease beginning July 1. Responsible, clean, references. 510-547-2774

COTTAGE/ garden apartment. Quiet professional woman. 1-2 bedrooms. Fireplace? Yard. In quiet location. Berkeley,

STUDIO APT. RENTALS

Oakland & Piedmont

UPPER GRAND/ROSE GARDEN
1940's Mediterranean style building, hardwood floor, deck, parking, laundry, all utilities included. Call 525-9779

1 BED. APT. RENTALS

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DIAMOND One bedroom, Secure building, sunny, new wall-to-wall carpet, remodeled kitchen. 1200 Jackson. Mr. Gordon 525-9779

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Apartment complex on second floor. Two bedrooms, two bathrooms, elevator, laundry, parking and transportation. Elevator and parking. To see please phone Ann at 525-9779

3300 STUDIO and 1 bedroom, renovated, close to shopping near Lake Merritt. Sunny. 525-9779

DIAMOND 1 bedroom, spacious, hardwood floor, parking, near shopping/transportation. Laundry facility. 531-2887

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\$575 ONE bedroom, unfurnished, spacious, secure, sunny. Convenient location near BART/shopping. Leave message 654-4152

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275 Jeyne - 1 bedroom in fourplex with charm. Hardwood floors, ground floor. Hardwood floors, gas stove. Tiled kitchen and bath. Call 531-6969

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\$625 GRAND LAKE very spacious 1 bedroom, beautiful hardwood floors, formal dining room, new kitchen, in classic fourplex, laundry, covered off-street parking. Call okay. 3924 Grand Ave. near Mendocino. 266-7907

\$625 PARKING, laundry, elevator, balcony, AET, dishwasher, disposal, carpets, drapes. Near Piedmont, shopping, transportation. 801-8789

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PIEDMONT AVENUE AREA
3952 Harrison-Lake 1 bedroom with deck. Dishwasher, disposal. Clean, modern building. Parking included. Call 531-6969

\$650 ADAMS POINT, clean, quiet, security building. Parking, laundry. No pets. 441 Lee St. 893-7311

\$650 CHARMING 1 bedroom, High ceilings, French windows, big kitchen, breakfast room. Residential neighborhood, Haddon Hill. No Pets. 763-7724

\$650 COZY duplex. Piedmont Avenue 4 blocks. Hardwood floors, garage, yard. 4105 Emerald. 420-1676/662-9321

\$650 GRAND LAKE condo, bright, quiet and secure. In great location near Lakeside and Grand Ave. restaurants and shopping. Balcony, pet, sauna, security parking. 811 York St. Ill. Mendocino. 484-4821

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CREEKSIDE COURTYARD
Duplex, wooded setting, hardwood floors, deck, security alarm. 452-3050

\$650 LARGE, bright 1 bedroom in 1920's building. Adams Point. Hardwood floors, top floor, pet, pet, pet. Call back to Lake Small pets okay. Frank. 465-5560

\$650 LARGE, modern 1 bedroom, quiet, near Lake. AET, balcony, indoor parking. No pets. 530-3846

\$650 ONE bedroom, unfurnished spacious 1 bedroom, quiet, home-like building. FIRE-PLACE, petting. Good location. Message 658-4152

\$650 SPACIOUS, bright, cheerful, quiet top floor split-level. Fireplace, smashing view 1920's charm, high ceilings, coin operated laundry, walking distance to Lake, shopping, transportation. No pets. 465-7529 Available June 1996

\$655 ONE bedroom, original hardwood floors in beautiful turn-of-the-century luxury building. Charming garden courtyard. Owner lives on premises. Convenient transportation. A home to be proud of. Available June 15th. 465-0182

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\$675

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you'd feel comfortable inviting to your house for dinner. But, of course, those are the reasons the other Giants admire Williams. Bonds, on the other hand, has an odd mentality. It's precisely when he's playing well that he emerges in his full ugly Barryness.

Don't ask me why this is the case—it would take Sigmund Freud 20 years to figure it out—but anyone who's spent time around the Giants has noticed that Barry is friendlier when he's slumping. I'm not saying he's actually nice or considerate, just that he's friendlier. He craves attention when he's playing poorly (not that he ever really plays poorly). But when he's going well, he's aggressive and surly and ridiculous. Maybe a warlike approach to the game, his teammates and the media is what propels him to greatness. Poor guy.

The upshot of Barry's Barryness, in case you haven't thought about this, is that Dusty Baker has a problem. He's got this great player who's also a social liability, a psychological load on the team. Baker has to balance his need to keep Barry happy and productive with his need to be fair to the other players. And believe me, the other players are

aware of what Baker is up against.

I want to make it clear that Baker never has complained to me about Barry, or to anyone else as far as I know, but it seems obvious that it takes great effort for any manager to keep a team going in the right direction. It's even harder when you have a Barry on your side. Baker is able to balance Barry's needs and the team's needs better than any manager in baseball, but the balancing act must make him weary at times.

It seems fitting to end this column with Baker because he is so different from his star. Baker is the fiercest competitor you will ever meet. But he is also a person, never has lost the essential Dusty, which means he consciously tries to be fair and pleasant and decent. It is not easy to retain your personhood in major-league baseball.

Just ask Barry.

Cal

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and 5.2 assists, earning the Western Athletic Conference's newcomer of the year honors.

As a transfer, King must sit out next year. He'll be eligible for the 1997-98 season.

Vassar

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assists in a season this year with 213. He finished in the Top 10 in the NCAA Division III, averaging 8.9 a game, to go along with 12 points as Vassar's second highest scorer.

Kagawa is surprised by neither Kajiwara's academic or athletic accomplishments.

"He was a great student and a cerebral

son. Huber thinks sitting out will make King an even better player.

"Cal will have four senior guards next year, so it's to King's advantage to sit out one year and see the game from a different perspective," he said. "There'll be a lot of spots open and (Todd) Bozeman's a great recruiter. He'll fill those spots with players and Raymond will get them the ball. He can dish it with the best of them."

Huber said he doesn't see any negatives to King playing his college ball just a few highway exits away from home.

"There are no downsides," he said. "Raymond's a good student, who won't be distracted by all the variables of playing close to home. He comes from a close

family and will get to see his younger brother play."

King's brother, a sophomore at EC, played on the school's junior varsity last season.

King and Cal appear to be a good fit. With Jelani Gardner transferring to Pepperdine and prep sensation Shaheen Holloway choosing Seton Hall over Cal, the Golden Bears are left with Anwar McQueen and Prentice McGruder at the point. Both will be entering their senior season.

"It hasn't been officially announced yet at Cal," Huber said of King's signing. "But I'm already looking forward to be able to watch Raymond play at this level."

Runner

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a mark of 56.18. That was Saavedra's best time ever, and the fifth best time in the state this season.

"She also has a pretty good time in the 200, but the 400 is her strongest event," said Scott. "She has the makeup to run a 52 in the 400. She's that good."

With the North Coast Section trials this weekend at James Logan High and

the state trials at the end of the month, said he is looking for Saavedra to win in the 400.

Earlier this season she won the Arcadia Invitational, the most competitive invitational in the state. This year, Scott said he expects her to win a medal, but less than a third-place finish.

The A student is also Scott's track, and it's her discipline that makes such a polished runner, said

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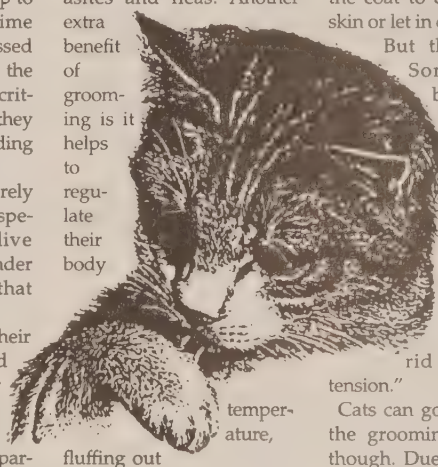
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What animal spends up to 50 percent of their time grooming? If you guessed cats, you're right! From the time these furry little critters are two weeks old, they continue on a never-ending quest of cleanliness.

Considering how rarely cats really get dirty, especially those who live indoors, one must wonder why they need all that grooming.

The licking action of their grooming removes dead skin and hair from their coats (and sometimes leads to hair balls). It also helps them control par-

asites and fleas. Another extra benefit of grooming is it helps to regulate their body



fluffing out

the coat to either cool the skin or let in extra heat.

But that's not all. Some experts believe cats groom for relaxation as well as cleanliness.

According to one feline behaviorist, Pam Johnson, "Grooming helps cats get rid of pent-up

tension." Cats can go overboard in the grooming department though. Due to loneliness,

boredom, or stress, cats have been known to lick themselves too much, leaving bald patches in their wake.

If your feline appears to be grooming excessively please bring him in. There may be an underlying problem like allergies, fleas, etc. that can be corrected.

Cats will also sometimes groom one another. This is a social activity and may be done to say, "I want you to feel good." But it can also mean, "I want things my way," and done to show who's boss.

Other experts believe that

the cat is simply marking the recipient of his licking with a scent that says, "You're part of my family." That's probably what happens when he licks you!



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Raccoon Rabies on the Move

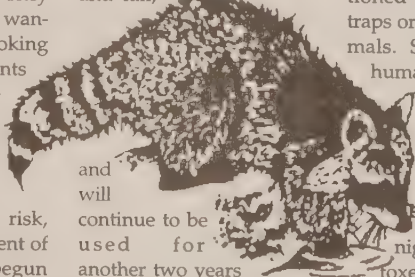
Rabies has long been a problem in the United States. Unfortunately, now Canada is in for some new problems. There is a new strain of raccoon rabies rapidly spreading through the Northeastern American states. Canadian officials are concerned that it will cross the border into Canada.

Toronto health officials explain that this problem is a serious one partly

because raccoons are too cute and too friendly. They have been known to wander into kitchens looking for handouts. Residents may not realize the danger of allowing these cute little creatures into their yards and homes.

To help reduce the risk, the Toronto Department of Public Health has begun trapping and vaccinating raccoons. Humane traps

were set out last summer and fall,



and will continue to be used for another two years or until a licensed oral vaccine is available.

Residents have been cautioned not to move the traps or come near the animals. Since the greatest

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Let's Rendezvous!

By Frosene Phillips



Frosene Phillips with Jim Brown, Pianist at Scott's in Jack London Square. Photo by Jeff Lindquist

Welcome to Rendezvous, the Hills Newspapers' Guide to Culinary and Entertainment Destinations. Designed for reference throughout the year, the guide provides diners and funseekers with a variety of information on good eating and entertainment in the East Bay.

As restaurants strive to satisfy customers, Rendezvous is published with the latest information - continuing that tradition.

Recognizing the ongoing changes in the area of eating out, the popularity of cafes, bagel and eclectic burrito shops is on the rise, representing another dimension of the business of dining out.

Dinner houses presenting winemaker and cigar dinners have also become very successful events for restaurateurs. While the dining options remain varied the standards continue and are reflected throughout Rendezvous.

Don't miss Hills Newspapers' spirited wine columnist Alan Goldfarb's, fantastic East Bay "wine country" experience in this feature as well.

The restaurants in Rendezvous are listed by county and cuisine and include hours of operation, price ranges, addresses, telephone numbers and a host of additional information. Specialty areas and entertainment choices are also included.

To further assist your dining experience, the listings include those restaurants offering outdoor dining, breakfasts, weekend brunches, early bird dinners, catering and food to go as well as those establishments which easily accommodate children.

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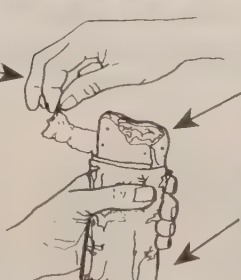
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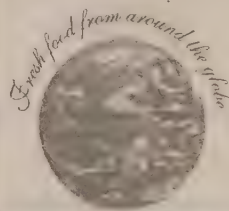
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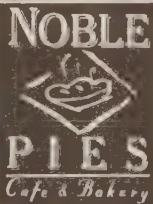
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and the California wine industry was going through a boom, veterinarian Kent

Rosenblum began his winery specializing in Zinfandel. He moved his operation in 1987 to Alameda, from where the winery has taken on national recognition.

Zin is probably California's only indigenous grape variety. It's fruity and spicy, and priced reasonably.

But while Cabernets were becoming fashionable 20 years ago, Zin was falling out of favor. Now, what with new winemaking techniques, matured vineyards dating back 100 years, which give the Zinfandels of the '90s intense flavors and character, we are experiencing a Zinfandel boom.

Rosenblum is on the cutting edge of that popularity. It's making more Zins — it will produce 11 this year — than even Ridge and Ravenswood, the two wineries best known for their big, rich Zins.

Though most of Rosenblum's grapes come from sources such as Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino, Contra Costa, and Paso Robles, Rosenblum does own 52 acres of its own on the Russian River.

Aside from Zin, it makes outstanding Cabernets as well.

But it is the Zins, produced mostly from old-

vine vineyards, for which Rosenblum has its name.



"I guess we'd like to be known for something," says Rosenblum when asked if he likes being recognized as "The Zin Guy."

Truth be told, his Merlots, and Pinot Sirahs have won as many awards as Zinfandels.

"Sometimes it's a problem because someone might say, 'don't want to try it.' I just like your Zinfandels."

So why Zins, you have an almost cult following?

"I like Zin," says

Rosenblum's succinct response.

To give one idea how popular this variety has become, back when Rosenblum started, a vineyard could purchase the grape for less than \$400 a ton. Now, almost two decades later, Zin grapes are going for almost \$1,800.

Of course, retail prices have kept pace. In the past days, you could get a bottle of Zin for \$6. Today, \$12 to \$25 is not uncommon. But styles of winemaking have improved vastly to where Zinfandels are now able to compete with some of the greatest wines in the world.

To further Zin's cause, consider that a Zinfandel at San Francisco's Fort Mason each year attracts more than 1,000 Zinfandel lovers. Next year, the event will be spread over two days.

"It's back to stay this time," Rosenblum predicts. "People just 'Cabbed' out. There's just so much of that big, tannic Cabernet. They're looking for an alternative."

And a trip to Rosenblum Cellars is certainly an alternative to some of California's more than 800 wineries.

Recently, Rosenblum installed a redwood deck, with umbrellas and tables, which overlooks the Bay and includes a great view of the Oakland and San Francisco skylines, and a bird sanctuary. The new upstairs tasting room, you can sample about 20 different Rosenblum products.

The winery has three weekly open houses during the year, and also has periodic opera, jazz, and bluegrass dinners, as well as a July Fourth BBQ.

Above all, the wines, especially the Zinfandels, are first rate.

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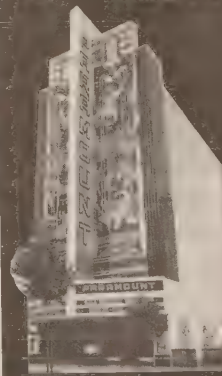
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- ◆ Lake Merritt
Oakland
286-1061

FIRST PLACE

William E. Brew, proprietor. Dale Newly, general manager. Sammy Chan, manager. Formerly Chalkers, the club is now in its sixth year and the first club of its kind in the west. With the name change came the new sports bar concept. The atmosphere is warm complemented with over 36 original works by Bay Area artists adorning the walls. An eclectic menu of appetizers, light entrees and desserts are available - \$3.75 to \$4.50. The cocktail specialty is "Absolutely Nuts" (Absolut Vodka and Frangelico, chilled, up). Mondays feature USPPA 9-Ball tournaments, Tuesdays are ladies nights - \$5 per hour, Wednesdays are college nights at \$7.50 per hour and 'Pool School.' Night owl club Monday through Thursday after 10 p.m. \$5 per hour. Lunch special Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. - half price pool with sandwich or entree purchase. Pro shop. 34 custom pool tables rent by the hour. Private room and darts. Happy Hour Monday through Friday 5 to 7 p.m. Parties from 6 to 475. Open daily Monday through Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Friday to 3 a.m.; Saturday 2 p.m. to 3 a.m.; Sunday 2 p.m. to midnight. 21 years and over. All playing areas are non-smoking. Free parking. Karaoke Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday. Entertainment in the lounge. @, V, MC, AE.

- ◆ 59th St. at Hollis
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- ◆ 100 Washington St.
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433-1320

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Built in 1931, this city, state and national historic landmark is a magnificent tribute to Art Deco architecture and decor. Guided tours provide a full and informative view of the 3000-seat theatre. Public tours are scheduled at 10 a.m. the first and third Saturdays of each month, excluding holidays. No reservations necessary. Paramount Movie Classics, performances by the Oakland Ballet, Oakland East Bay Symphony, ongoing concerts and stage shows take place throughout the year.

2025 Broadway
Oakland
465-6400

TERRACE ROOM

Live jazz Wednesday and Thursday. (See AMERICAN for complete details).

- ◆ Clarion Suites
Lake Merritt Hotel
1800 Madison
Oakland
832-2300

WOODMINSTER THEATER

Celebrating its 30th anniversary under the stars, this year's summer season will present Fiddler on the Roof, *The Music Man*, and *City of Angels*. J. James Schlader will direct the productions and Harriet Schlader will choreograph. Music directors are Richard Vetterli and Kim Rossi. Children under 14 can attend Woodminster's summer musicals free with the purchase of an adult ticket. (See the advertisement on page 15 for complete details).

- ◆ 3300 Joaquin Miller Rd.
Oakland
531-9597

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Featuring world-class jazz artists and local musicians nightly. Opening in Jack London Square in November '96. (See JAPANESE for complete details).

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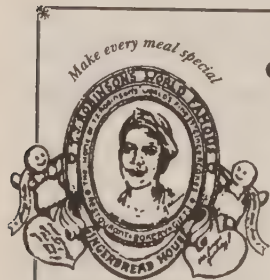
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◆ 1900 Esplanade Dr.
Marina Bay
Richmond
215-0803

SPETTRO

Geoff Deetz, proprietor. This local popular eatery has been busy since opening well over two years ago. While the menu leans heavily on pastas and pizzas, the style is Italian with international influences prepared in the spirit that is Spettro. Joe's jalapeno fettuccini, pan-seared coconut-lime mussel and blackbean ravioli are just a few of the surprises here. Caesar salad embraced by garlic, a favorite. Lunch Friday only 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - \$5 to \$8. Dinner, seven days a week 5 to 10 p.m. - \$9 to \$15. Children's menu. No reservations. Food to go. @, V, MC, AE, ATM.

◆ 3355 Lakeshore Ave.
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Janene Silverman, proprietor. Now in its ninth year, this trattoria features Italian and terranean cuisines, specialties, homemade pastas, pizzas, and desserts. Lunch Wednesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to \$10.95. Sunday through 4:30 through 10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday 11 a.m. to Friday to 11 p.m. Saturday 11 p.m. - \$6.95 to \$11.95. Catering services. Tasteful facilities. Children's menu. Food to go. @, V, MC.

◆ 552 Grand Ave.
Oakland
839-9124

JAPANESE

HANA SUSHI BUFFET

Hana Chung, proprietor and manager. Traditional Japanese is the setting here. The menu is sushi. Lunch Monday through Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. - \$6.99 buffet. Dinner Monday through Saturday 5:30 to 9 p.m. - \$11.99. During the month of only Monday through Thursday 9:30 p.m. Catering. Children's Food to go. @, V, MC.

◆ 1722 University
Berkeley
841-9500

KAMAKURA

Japanese decor and atmosphere highlights here. Fresh seafood and traditional cuisine as well as sushi bar are featured. The specialties are hot and cold and Japanese beer. Lunch Monday through Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. - \$4.50 to \$8.50. Dinner 5 to 10 p.m. - \$7.25 to \$11. Prices of custom-ordered sushi may vary. Sushi catering for large parties and all occasions. Food to go. @, V, MC, AE, DC

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Alameda
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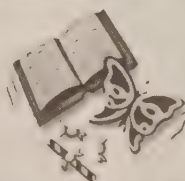
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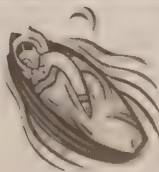
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Sam Nassif, proprietor. Eric Saunders, manager. Recently renovated the restaurant now houses a full French pastry shop and bakery, juice bar, a pizza kitchen and an exhibition kitchen that includes a wood fired oven and rotisserie. Daily specials are offered as well as International wines by the glass. 18 micro brews on tap. Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily 6:30 a.m. to midnight. Breakfast - \$4.75 to \$14.75. Lunch - \$7.50 to \$14.95. Dinner - \$9.95 to \$22.95. Lounge open daily 11 a.m. midnight, Friday and Saturday to 2 a.m. Piano bar entertainment. Catering. Food to go. @, V, MC, AE, D.

◆ Waterfront Plaza Hotel
Jack London Square, Oakland
444-7171**MAGIC GARLIC
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R. Petrossian, proprietor. Babak Soltanian, manager. The ambience is cheerful and airy with simple murals on the wall to complement the setting. The house specialty here is garlic, garlic and more garlic - claiming to have used 1 3/4 tons of garlic thus far. Lunch daily 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. - \$5.95 to \$8.95. Dinner Sunday through Thursday 3 to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday to 10 p.m. - \$7.95 to \$10.95. Beer and wine. Children's menu. Food to go. @, V, MC, AE, D.

◆ 1403 Solano Ave., Albany
528-9898**RUSTICA**

Manos Gougounis, proprietor. Celebrating its 7th anniversary. This popular cafe presents an international flair. The upstairs dining specializes in tapas and gourmet burritos (see Latin American for complete details). The colorful downstairs cafe offers gourmet pizza inspired from the cuisines of the world. Italian pasta dishes, and Greek casseroles are also featured. Open 7 days 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. - pizzas \$10.50 to \$18, dinners from \$8.50. Outdoor dining. Beer and wine. Delivery and catering available. Children welcome. Food to go. @, V, MC.

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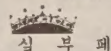
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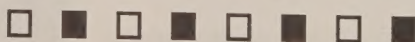
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